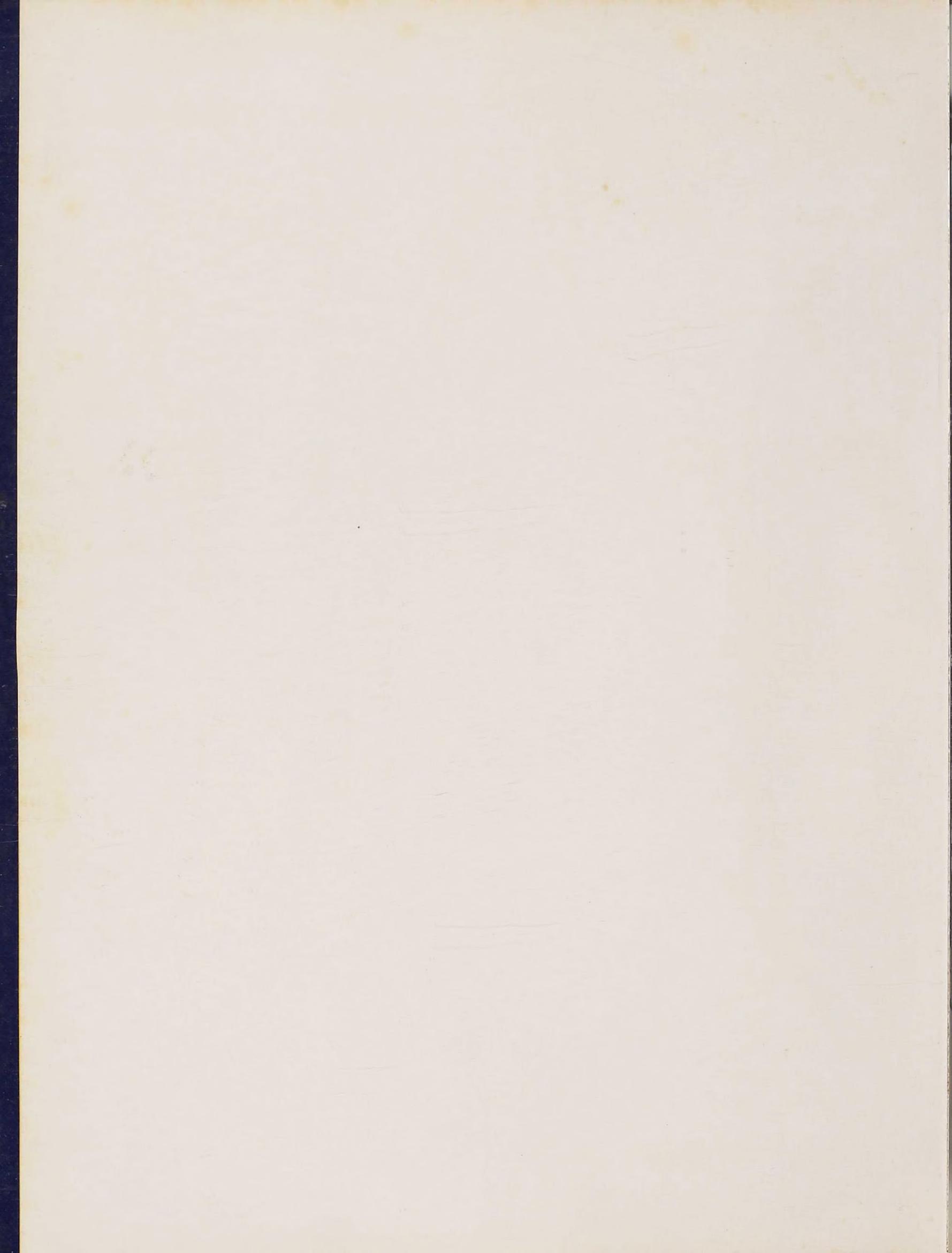
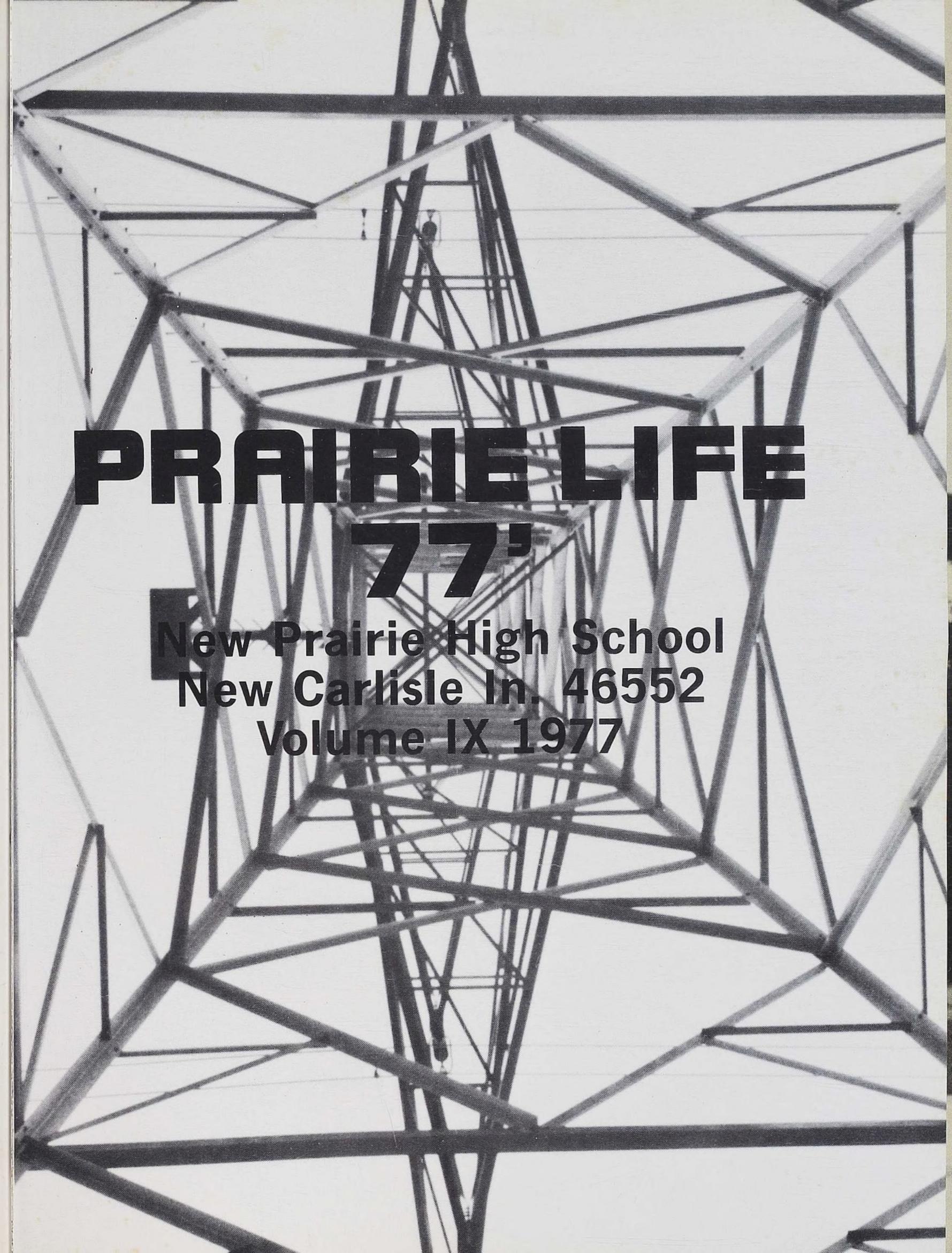


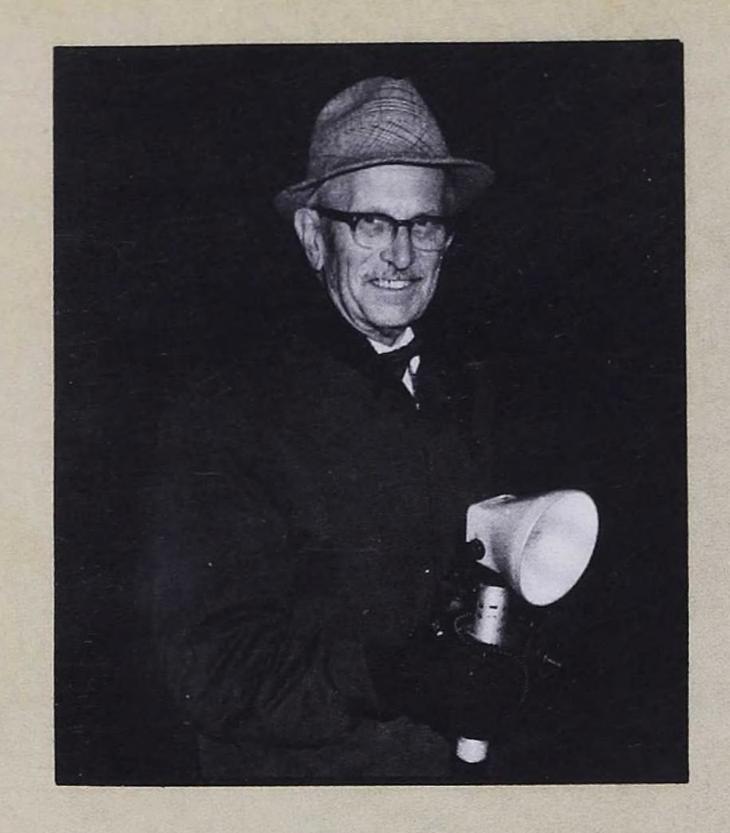


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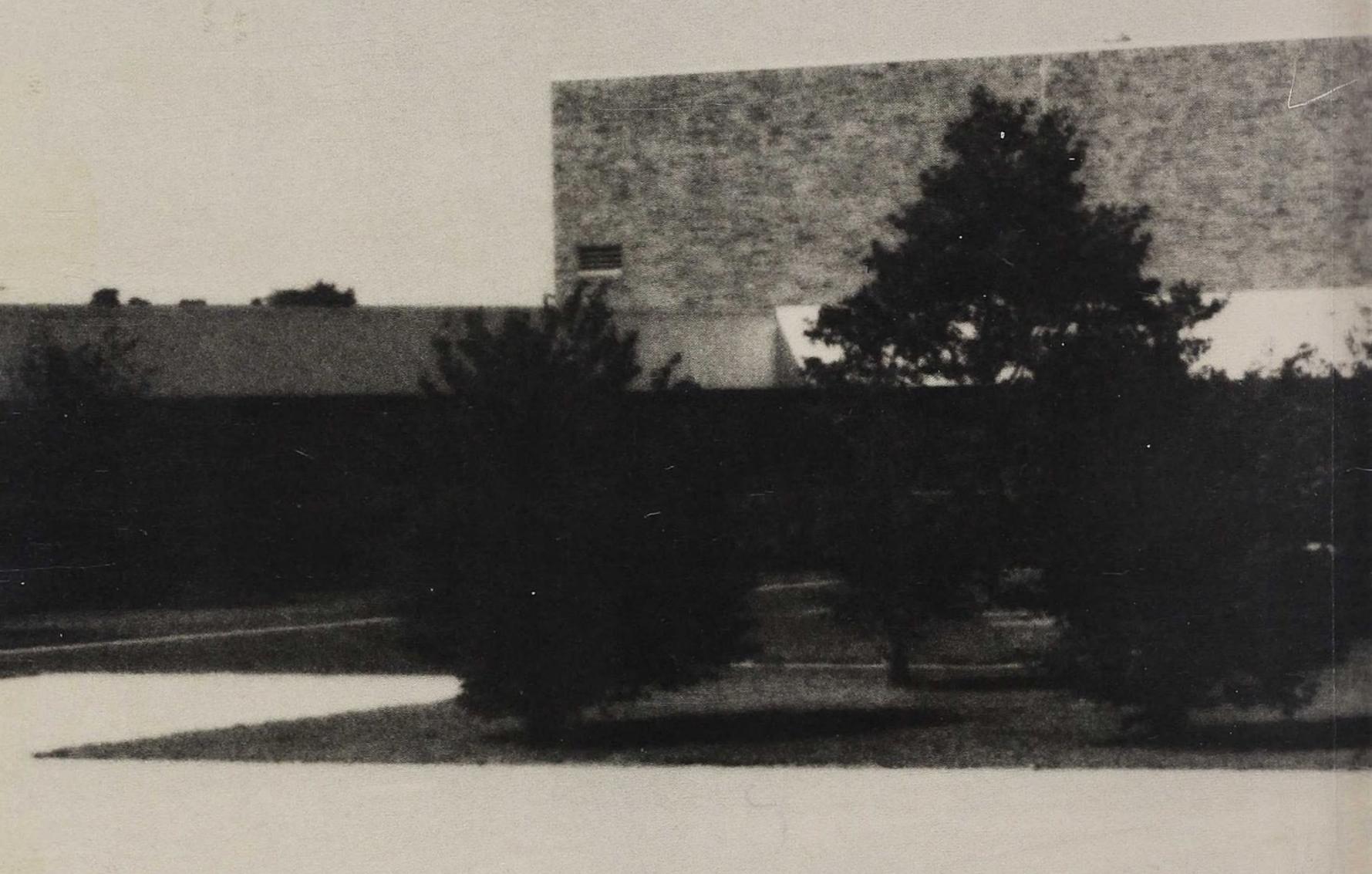




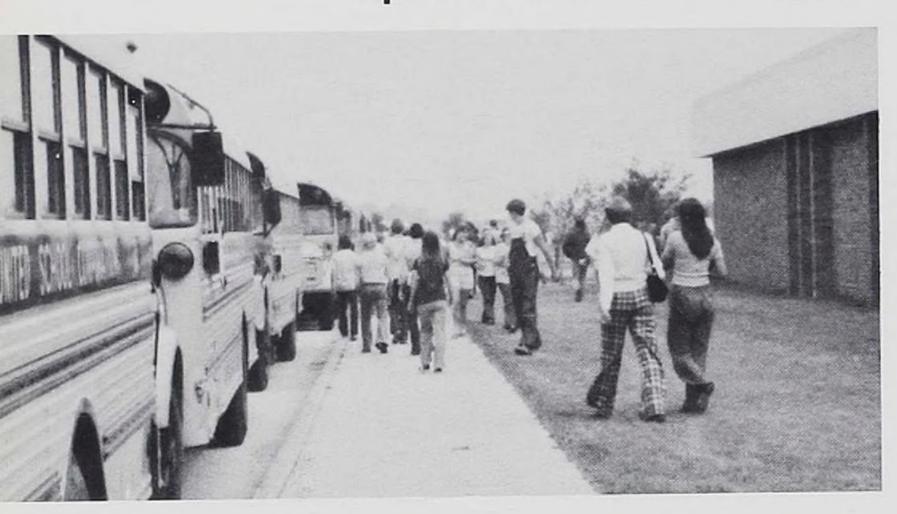


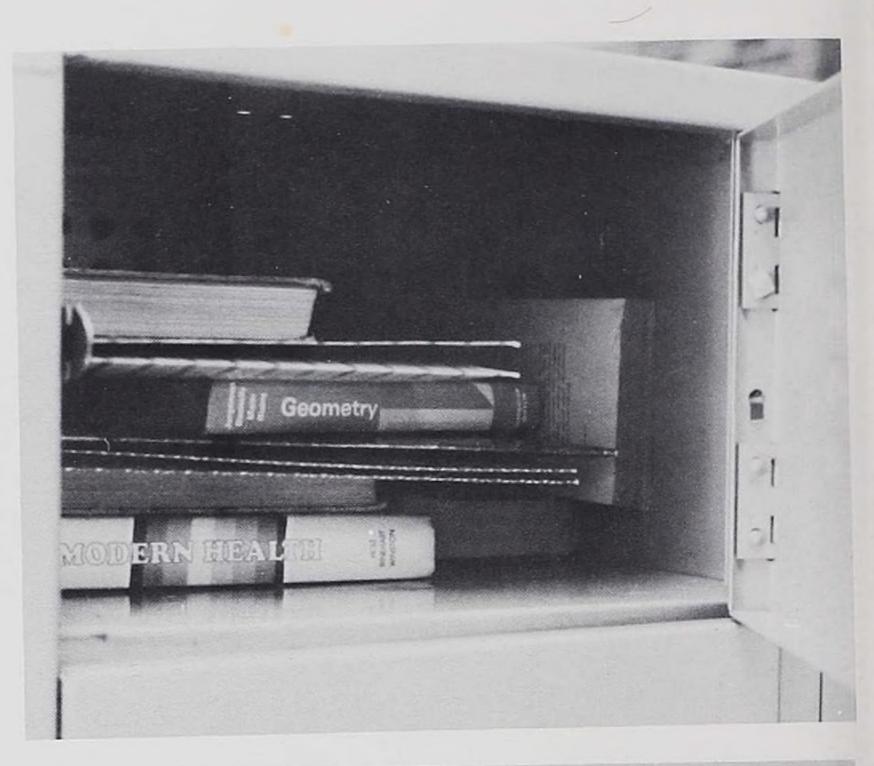
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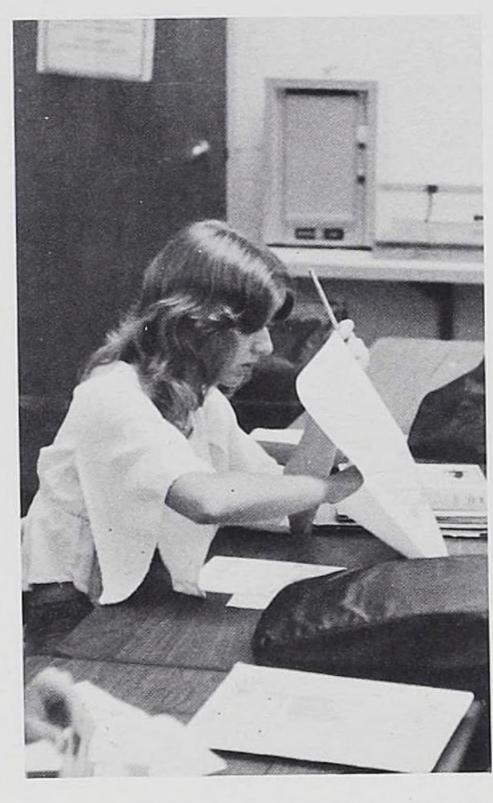
We dedicate this annual to Tony because without his effort, assistance and last minute printing, our yearbooks would not be possible.



Memories ... A Thought, A Time, A Place, When Reflected Upon ... Make Us Happy.

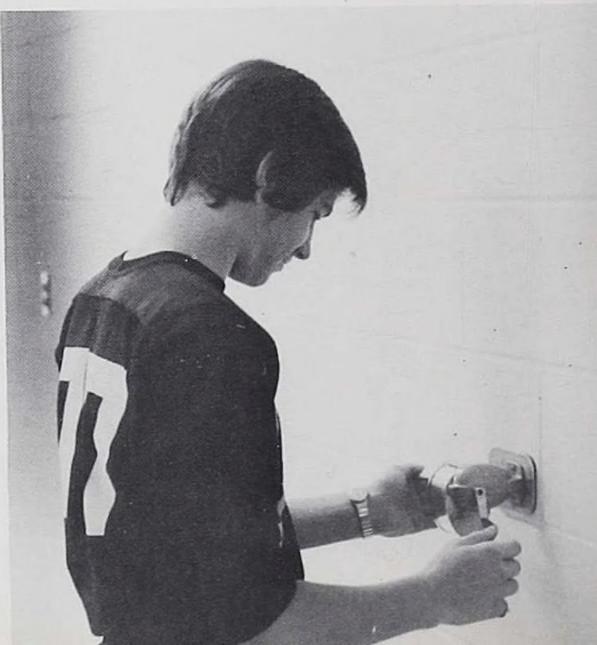


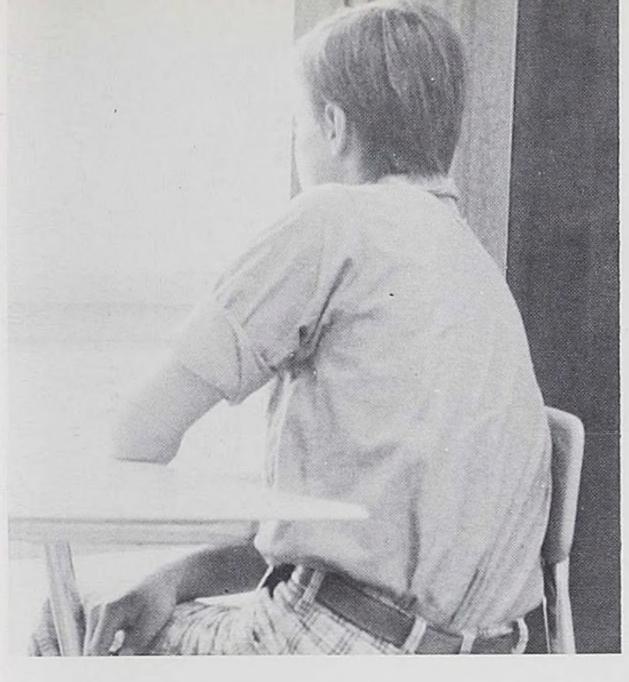




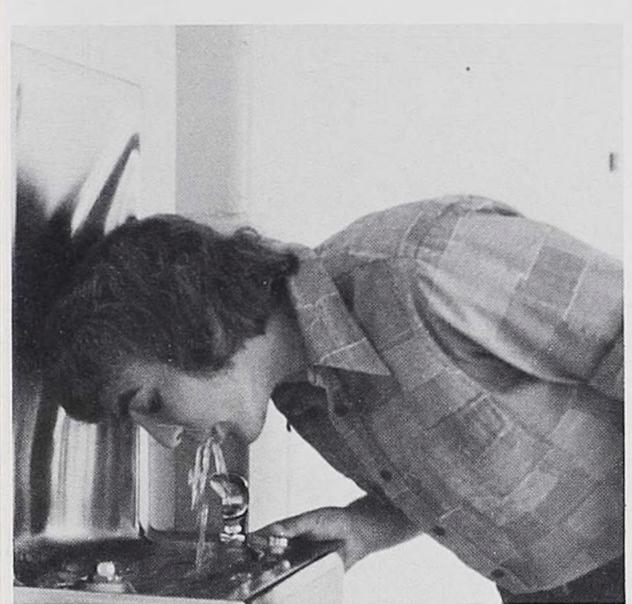


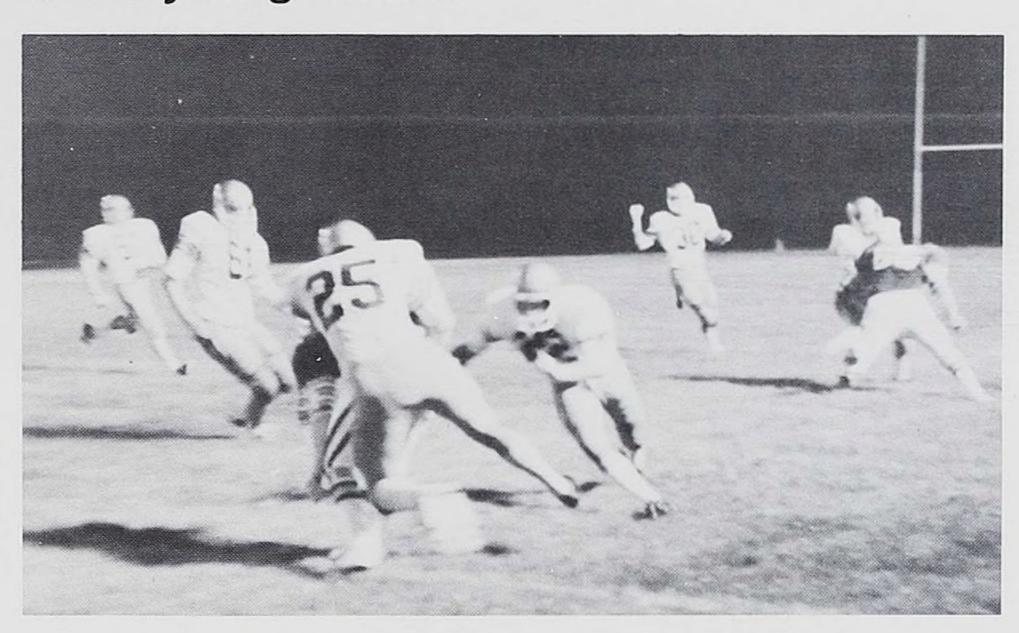
The Ringing Of A Bell ... The Cheers From An Assembly ... The Laughter In The Hallways ... We Find Happiness In The Memories Of Events That Are Special To Us ...

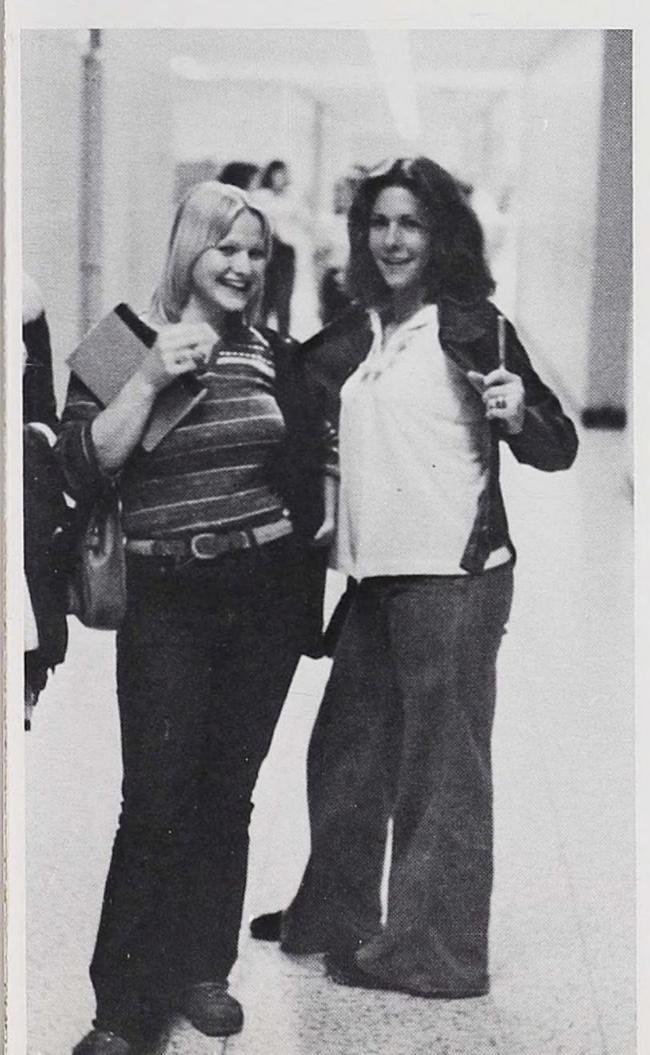




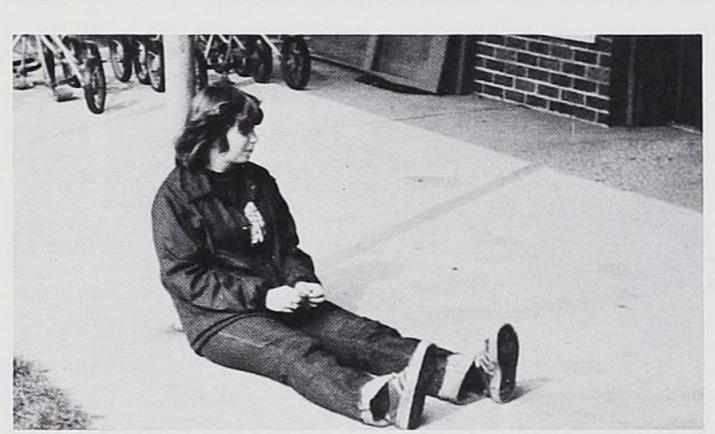
Be It The Winning Of The Big Game
... Or Being First In The Lunch
Line ... Each Person Finds Happiness
In Everything Around Him ...



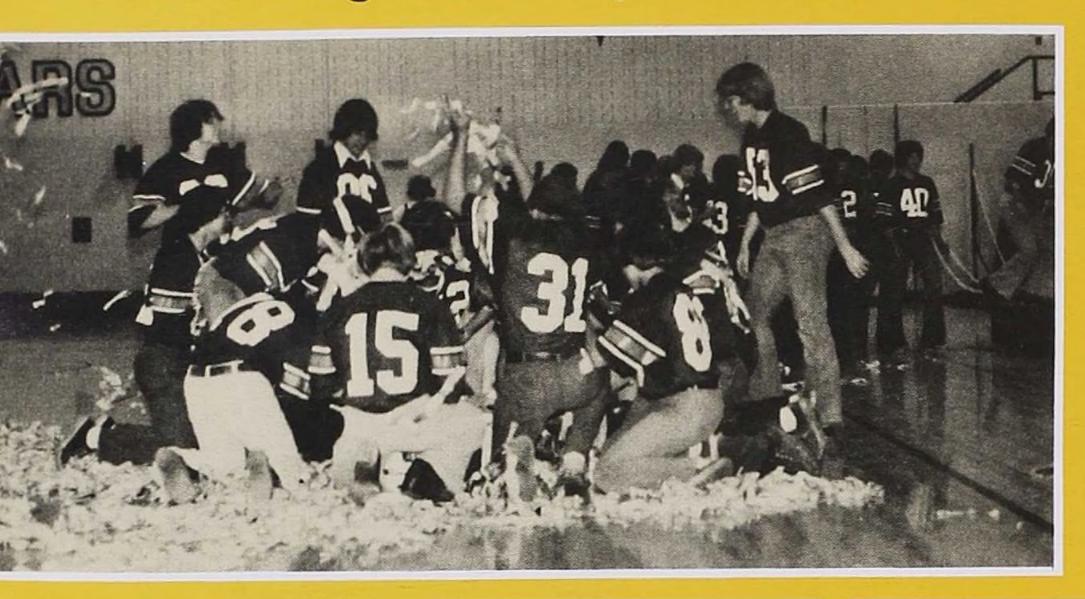


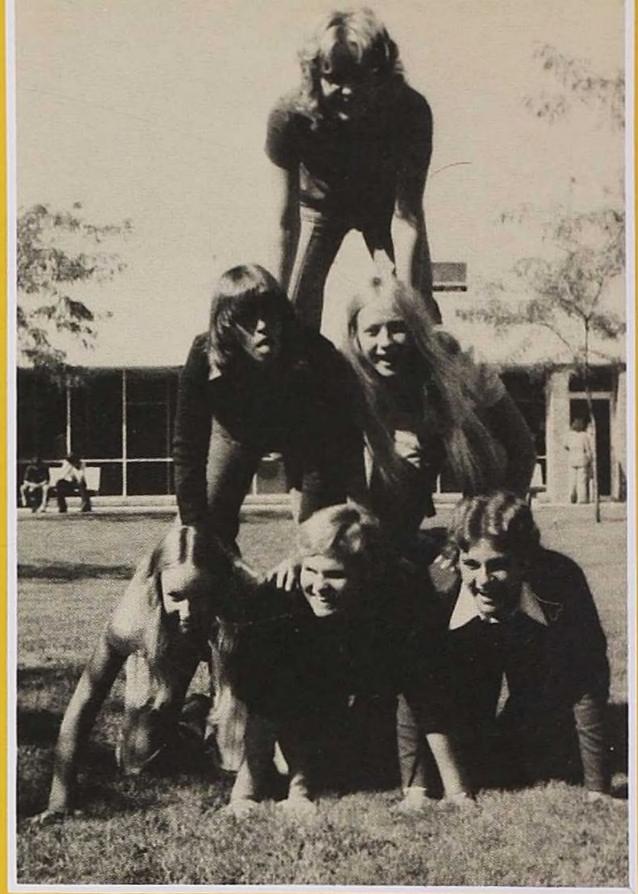


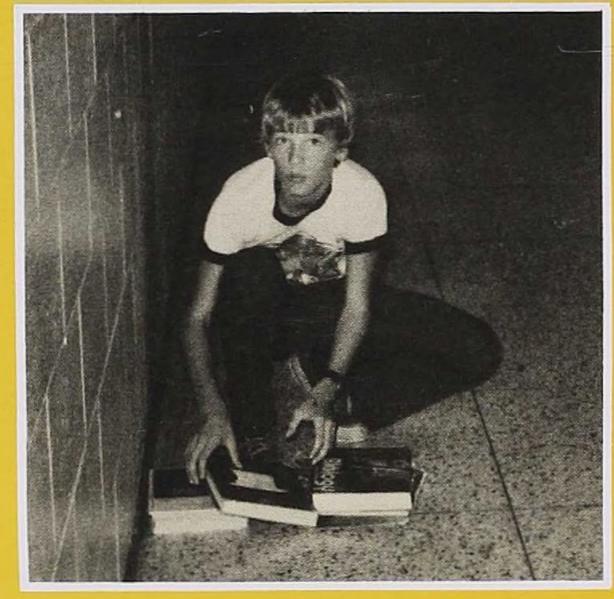


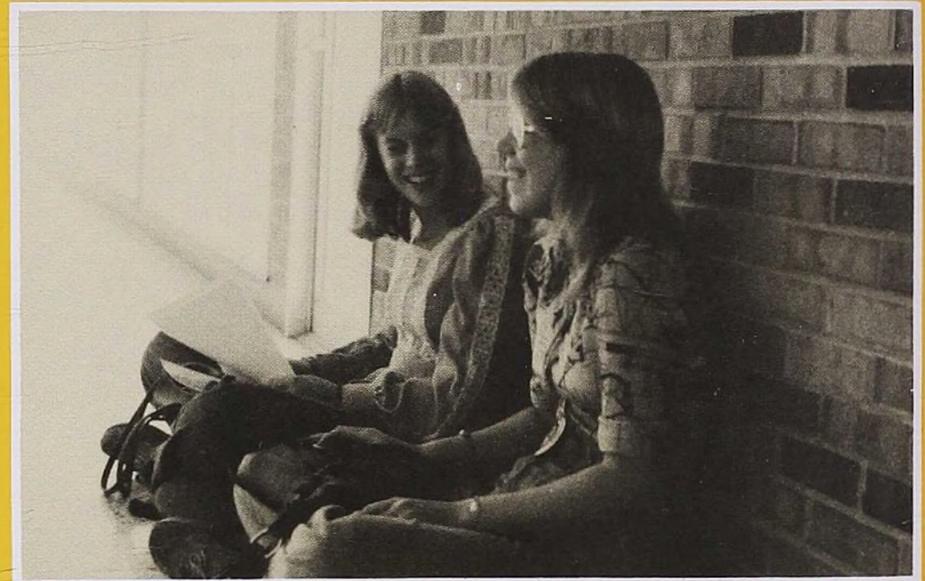


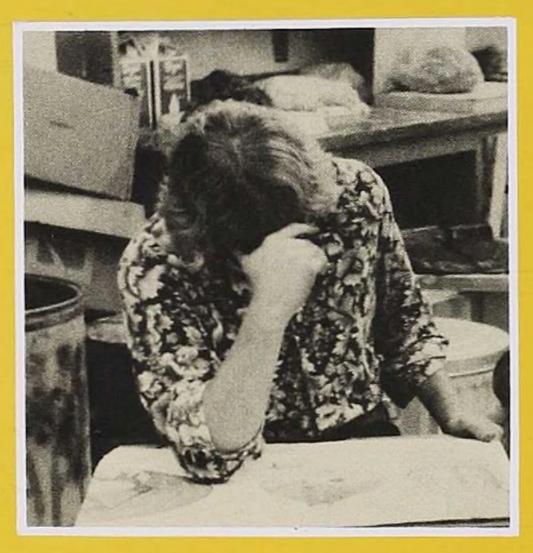
We Smile ... We Laugh ... And We Cry, As Our High School Days Pass Before Us ...

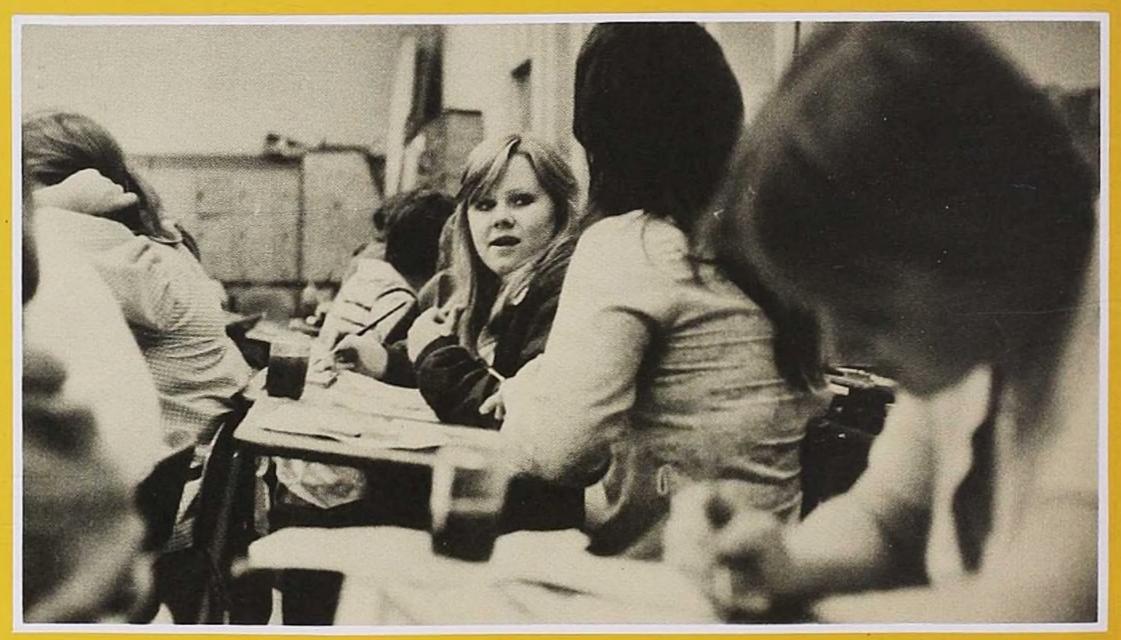


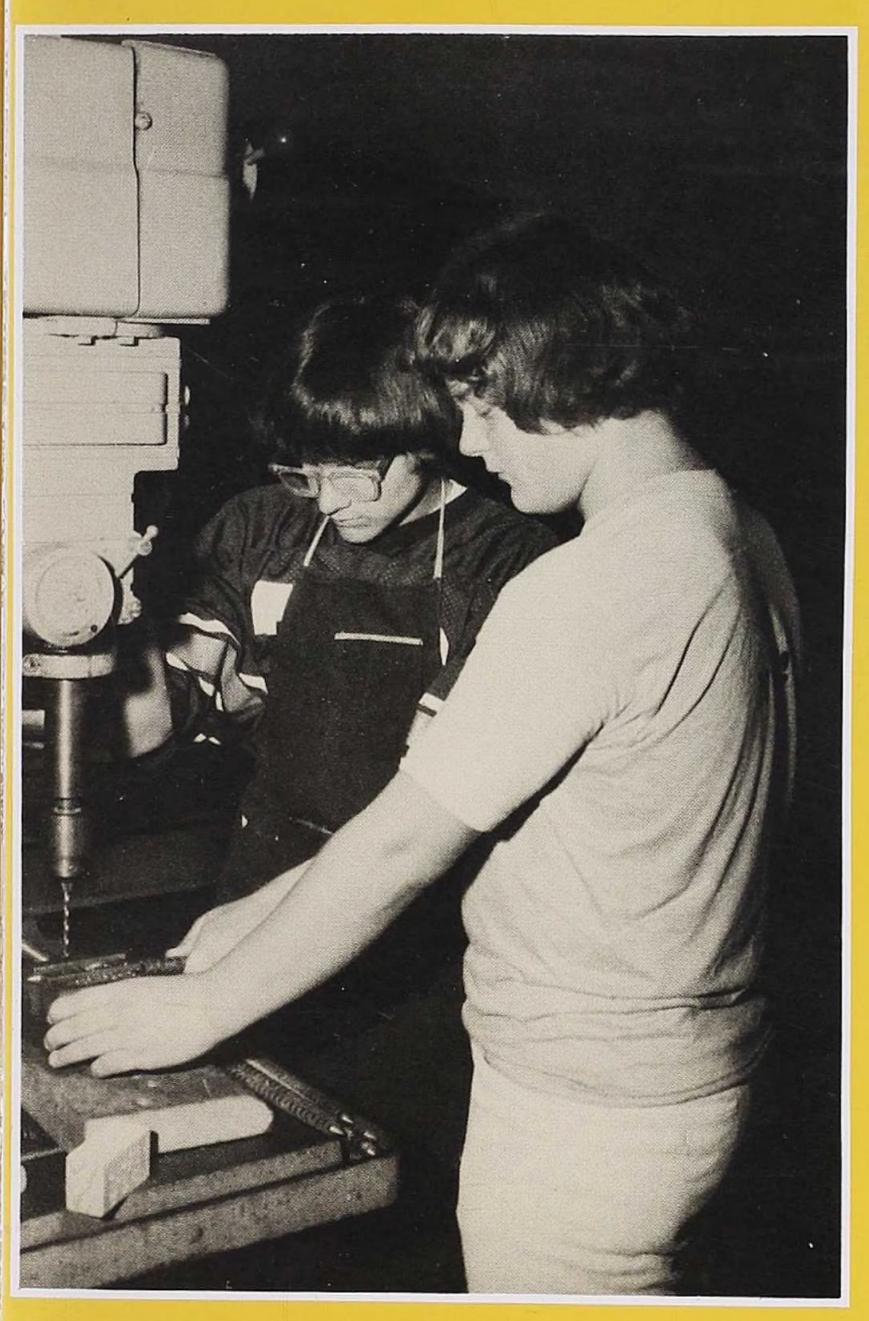








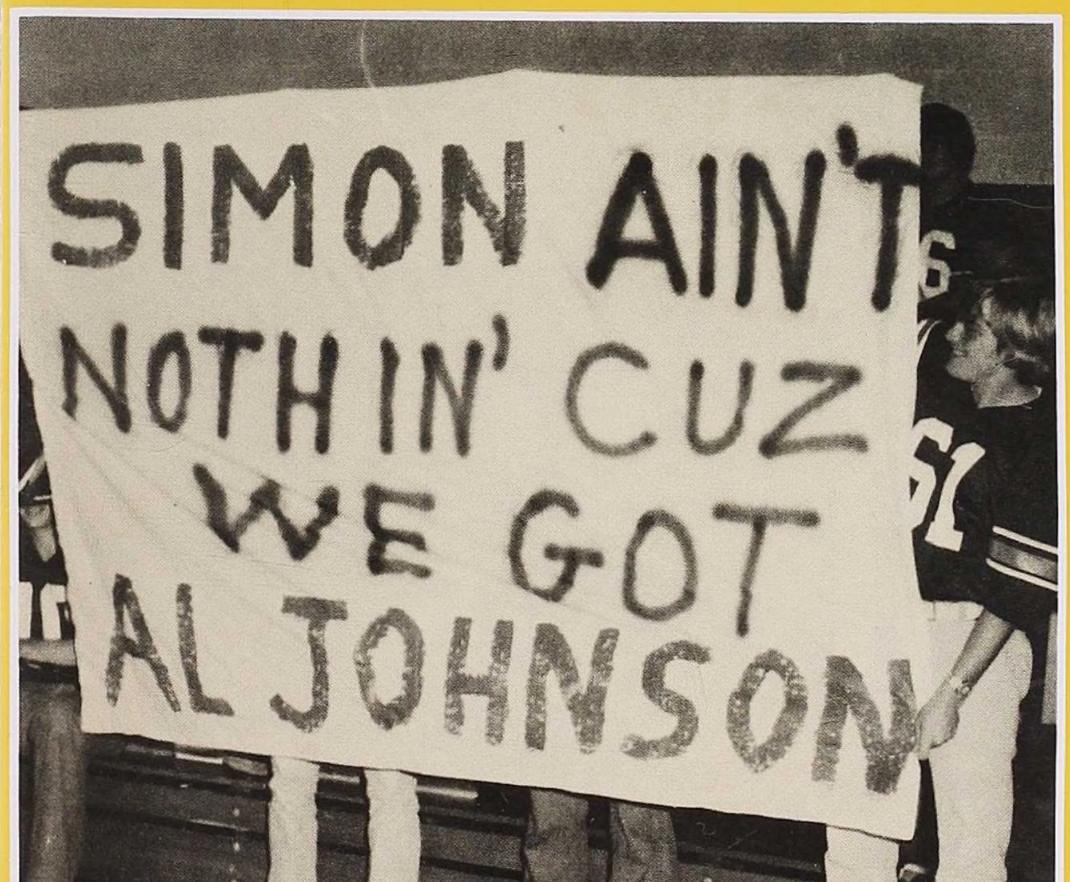


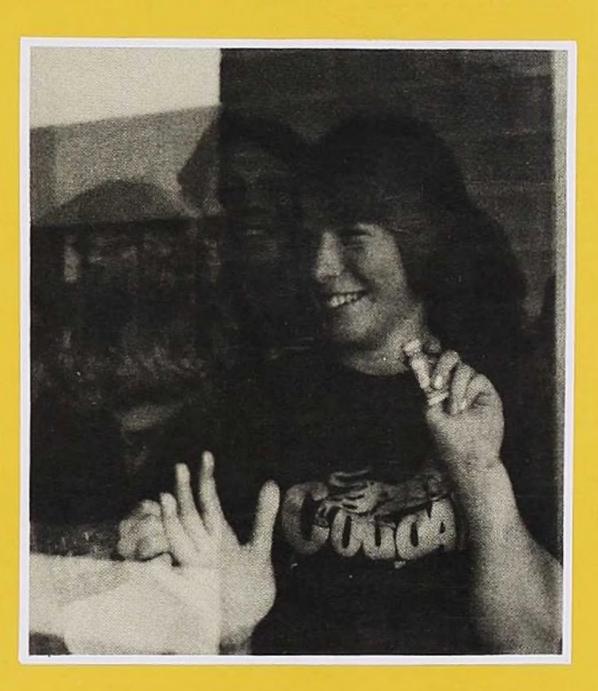






But We Look Forward To The Summer, And Are Optimistic About The Future.







We Are All Saddened By The Thoughts Of These Times Becoming Only Memories In The Pages Of Our Lives





















Although We Lose The Ties Of Our High School Days We Can Still Cherish The Memories, Which Will Linger On, Ever Written On The Corners Of Our Minds



As Time Passes

Memories Become The Cherished Treasures

Which Make Life Worth Living





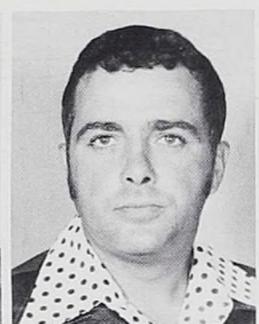
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Teacher's Work Is Never Done







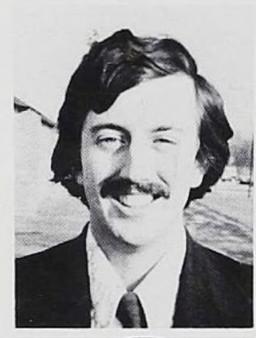












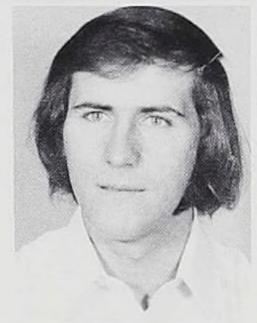
















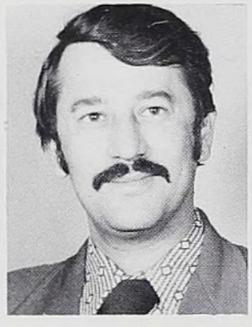


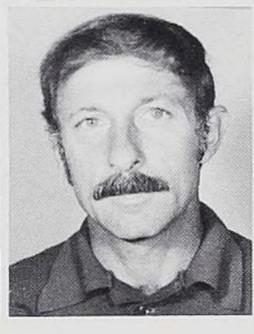




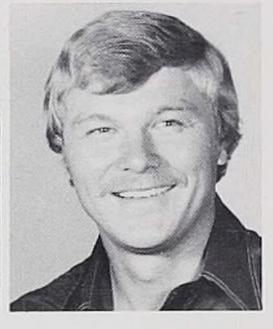












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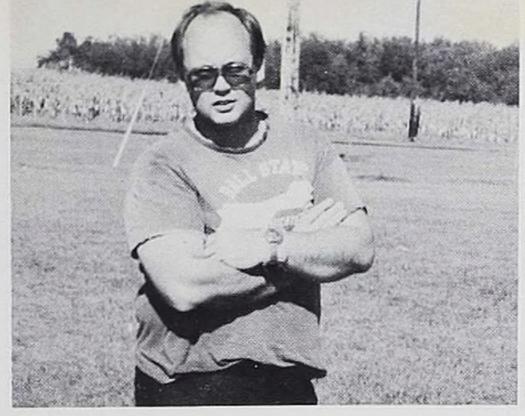
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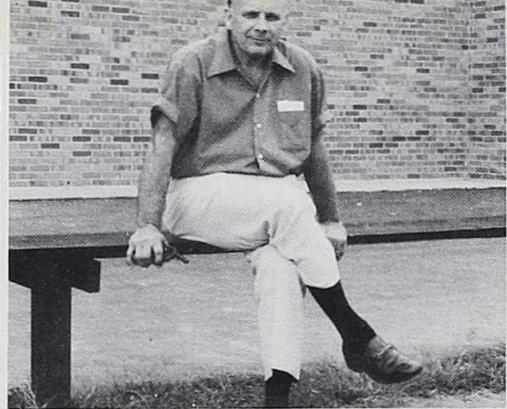
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They're all just kids at heart.



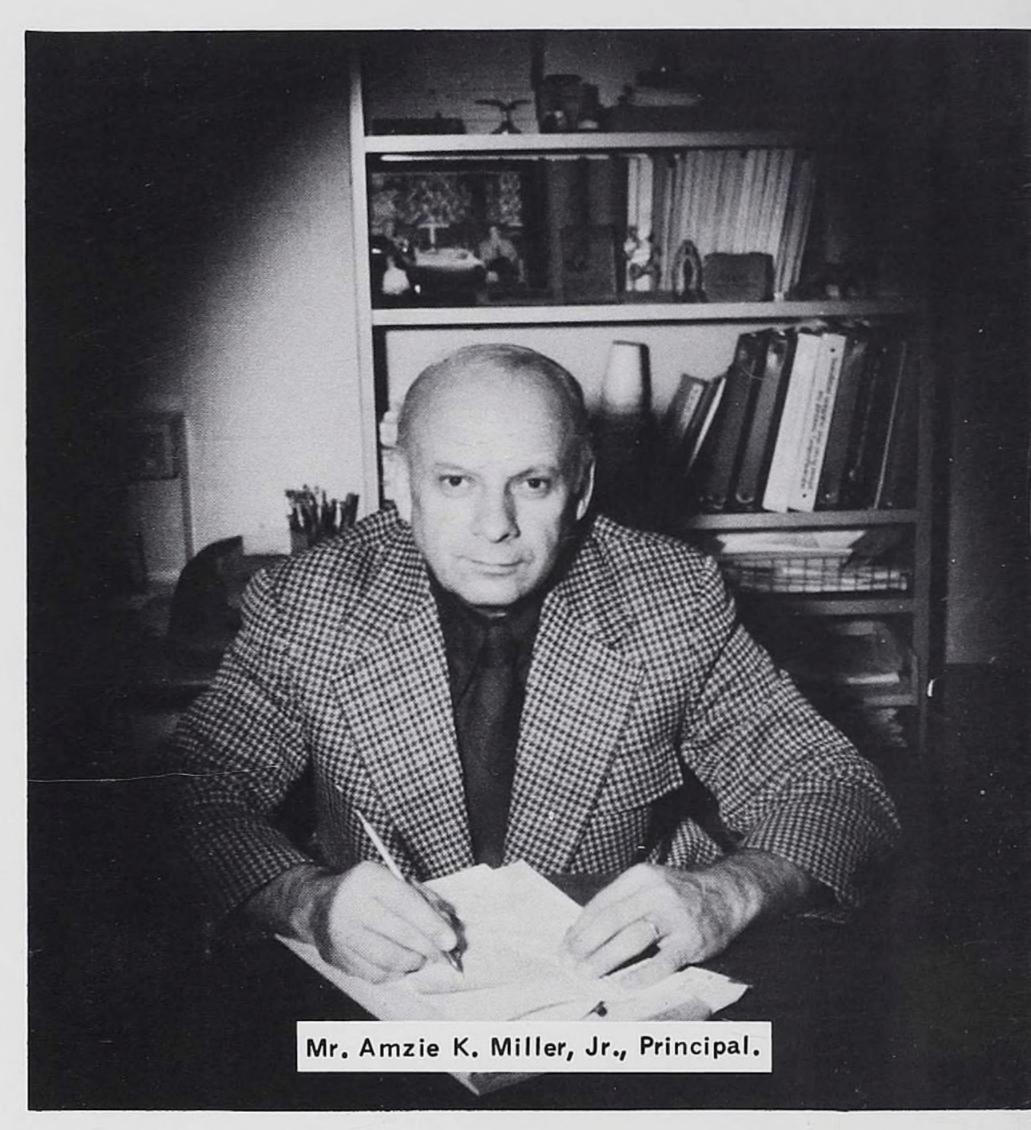
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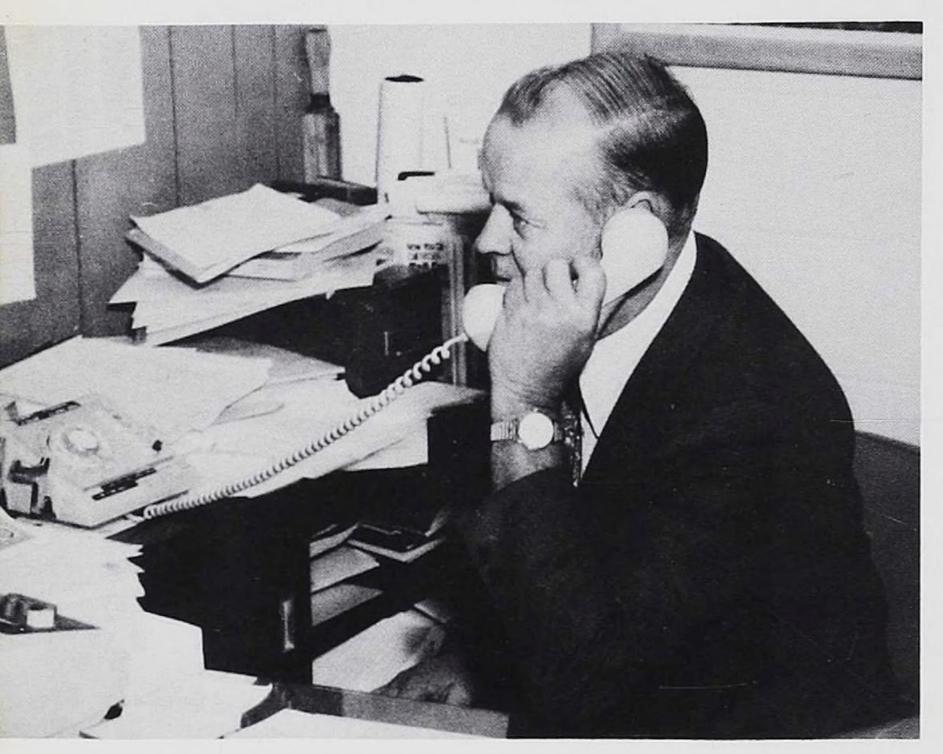
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Seniors To Take World By Storm



1977 Senior Class Officers: Bob Garoutte, Treasurer; Bill Farrington, President; Jeff Rush, Vice-President; Jenny Kane, Secretary.

Class Of 1977

May 22 will find us, the class of 1977, out on our own. From this day forward, it will become our job to make the decisions that will shape our lives and the lives of others. With our high school memories behind us, we now face the challenge of carving out a living from the world around us, still possessing our spirit, vigor, and our new found sense of freedom. We leave behind us acquaintences, friends, and the laughter in the hallways, but we are not without hope. Graduation day will leave us to engage in the many opportunities that the world has to offer whether it be marriage, furthering our education or establishing careers. Perhaps we will pause to catch our breath and clear our heads before we journey into our futures.

As we ponder our new lives awaiting us, we will occasionally return to our alma mater to recall the classes, convocations, and the everyday occurances that made us happy. We will remember the laughter and the tears which made our high school days most memorable. As we reflict on our pasts, we will know in our hearts that participating has made a difference by making our lives richer and our days brighter.



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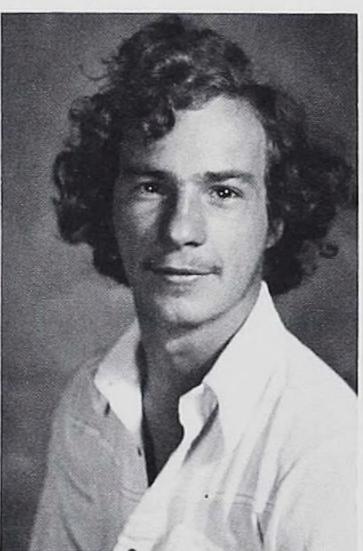
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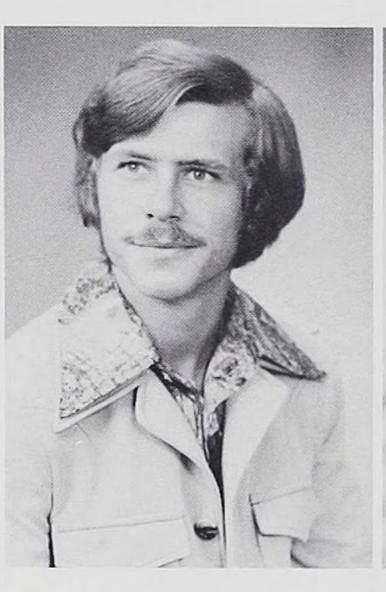
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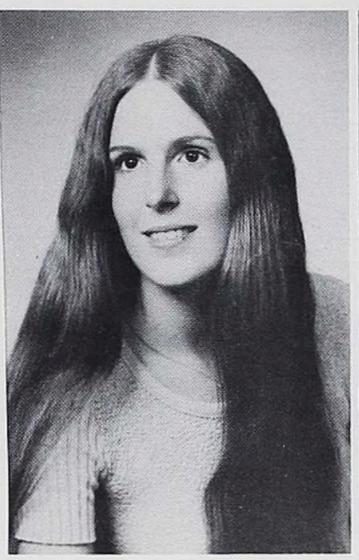
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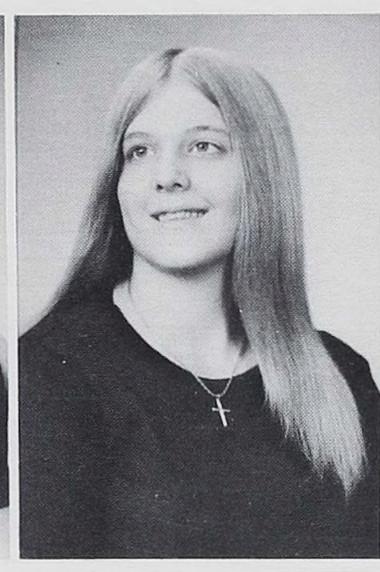
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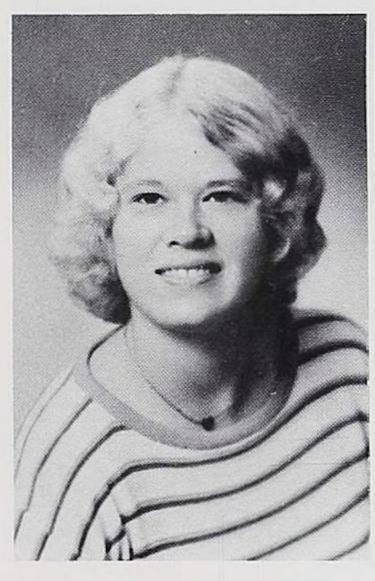
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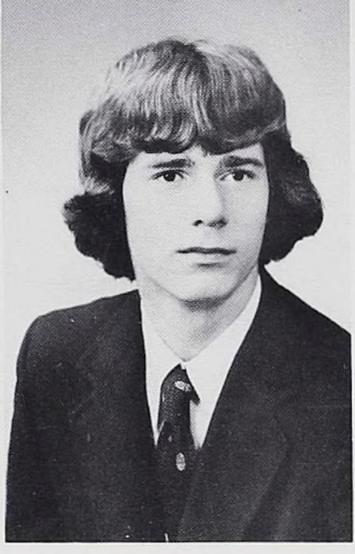
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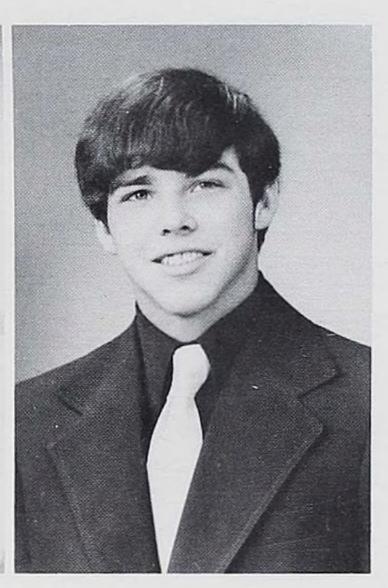
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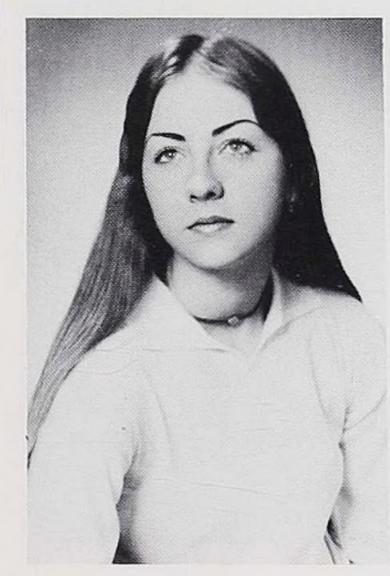
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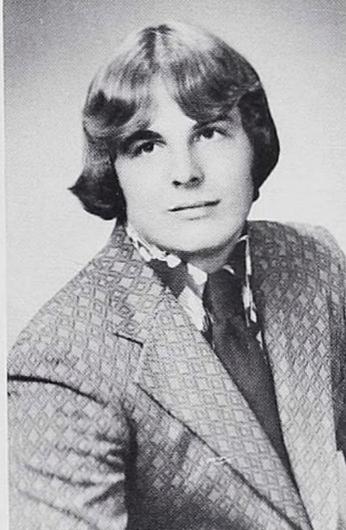
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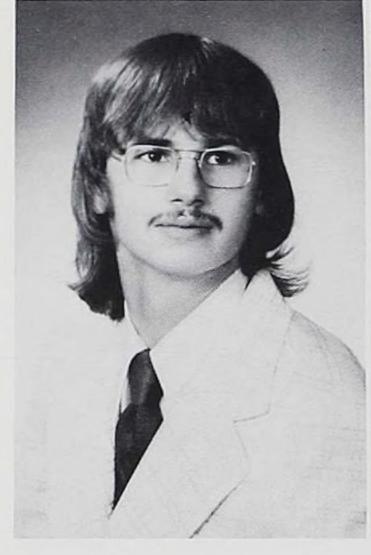
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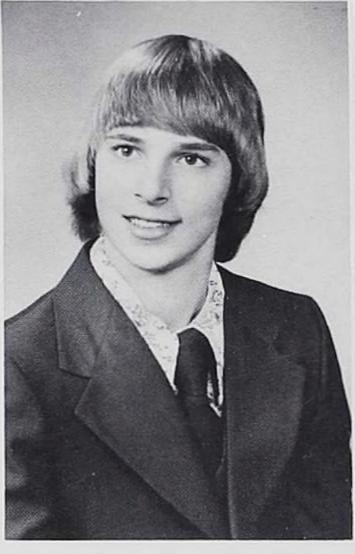
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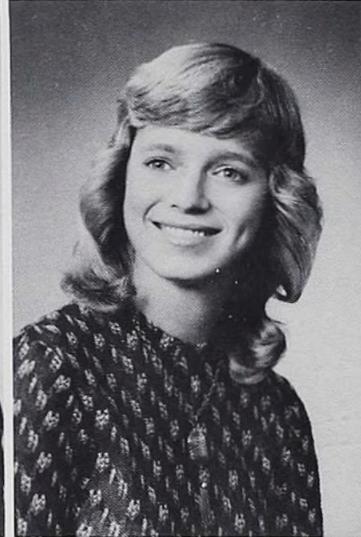
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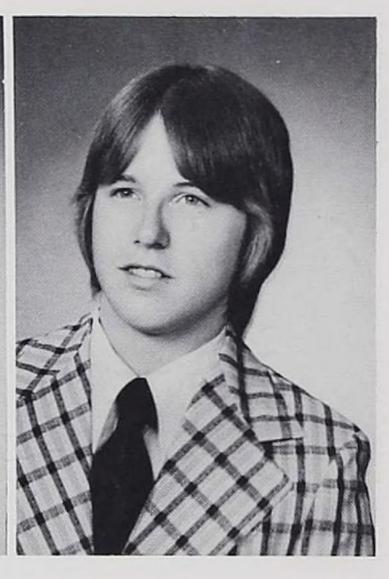
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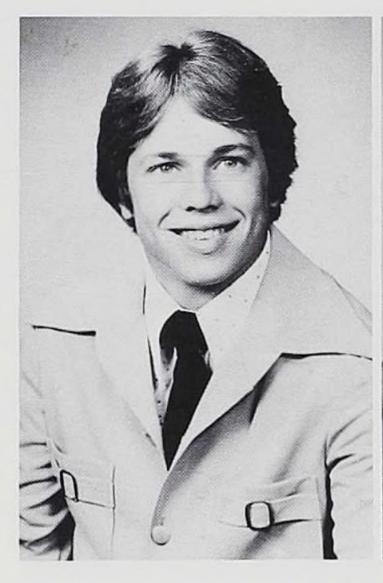
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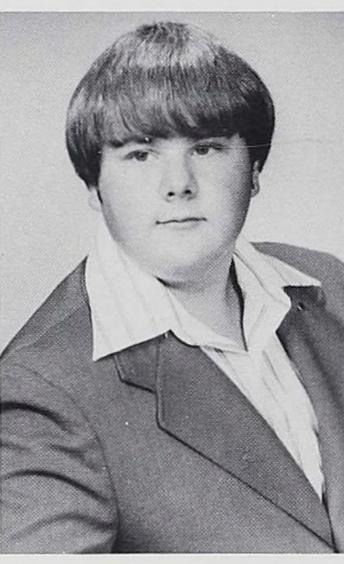
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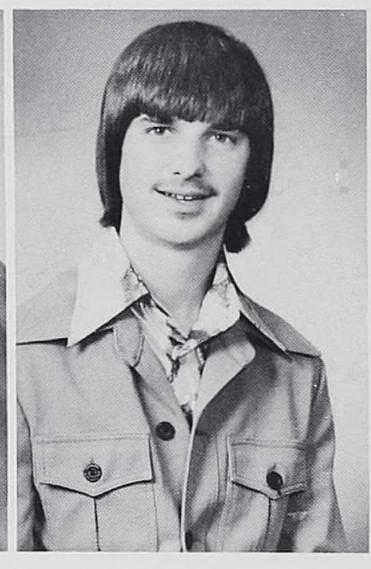
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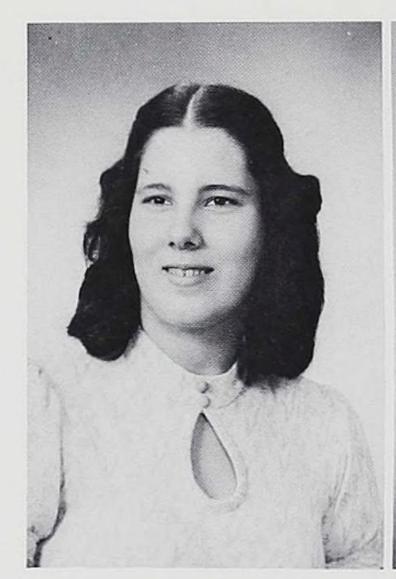
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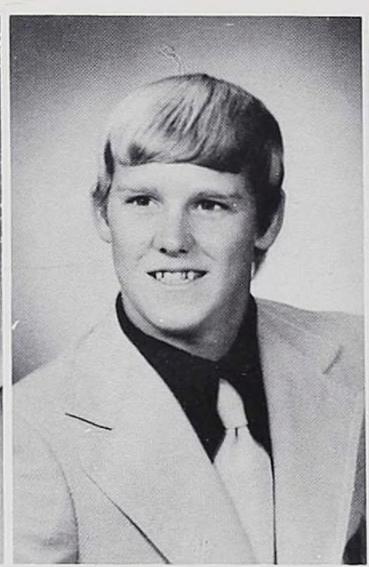
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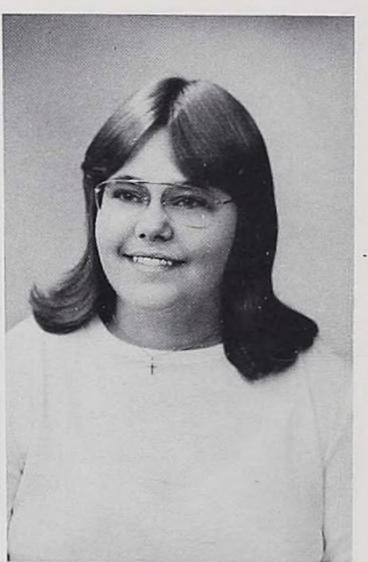
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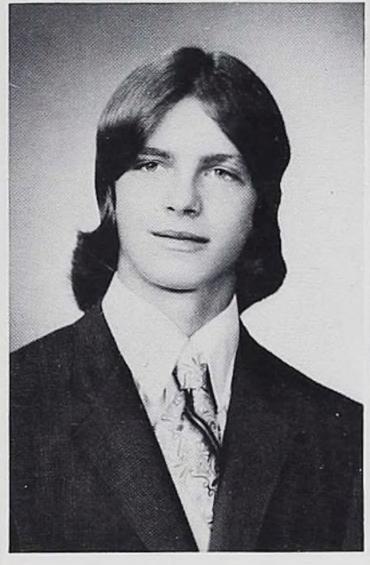
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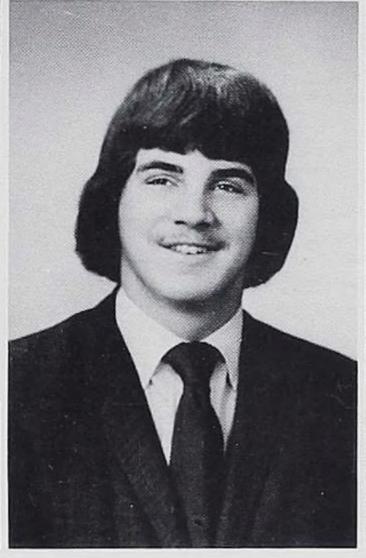
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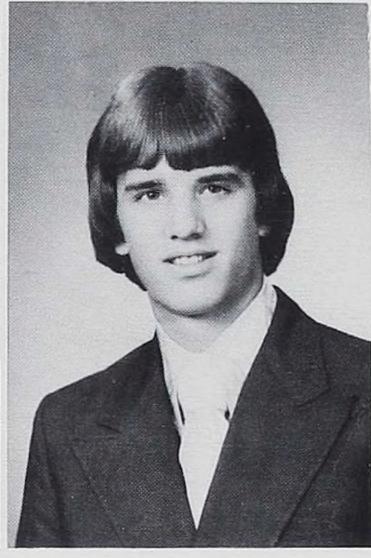
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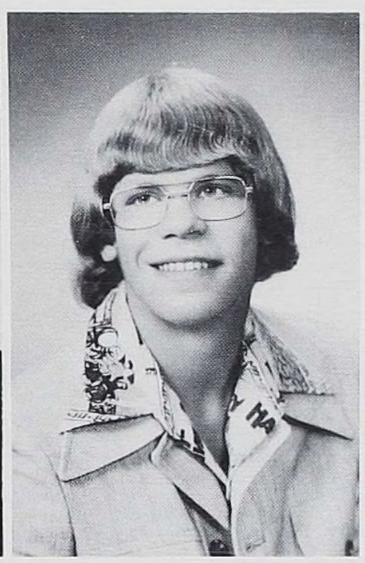
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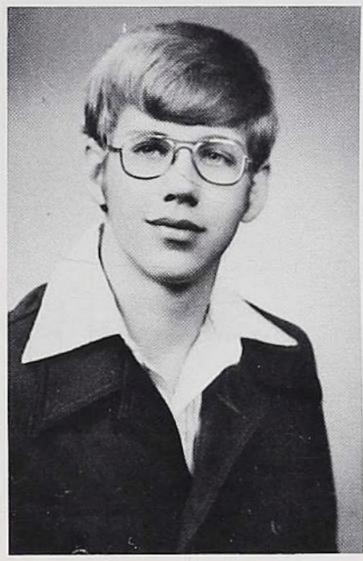
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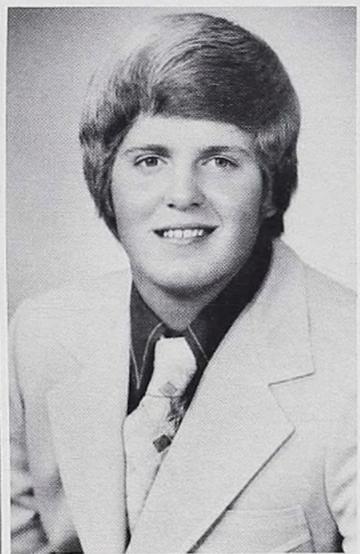
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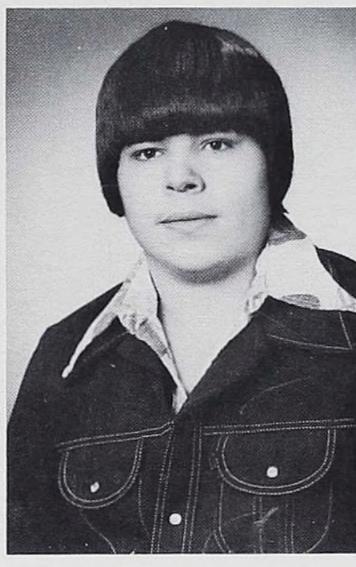
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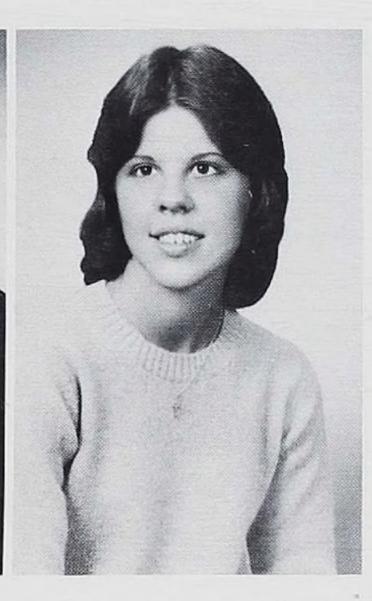
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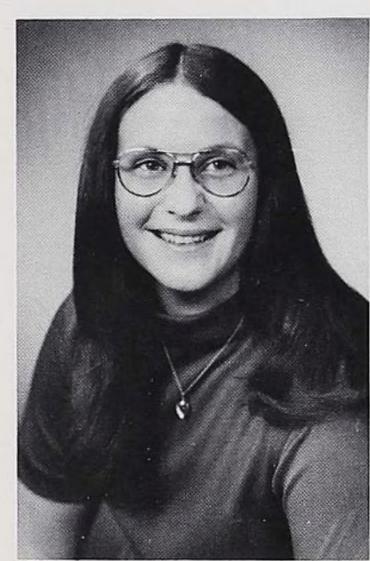
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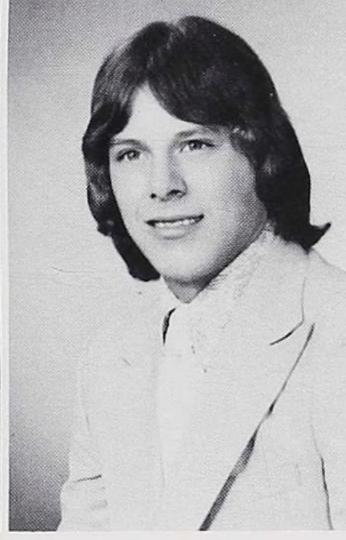
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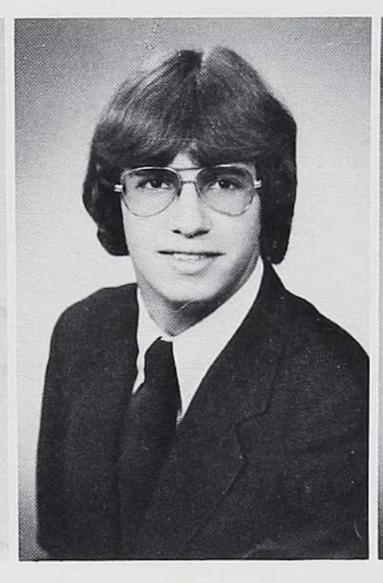
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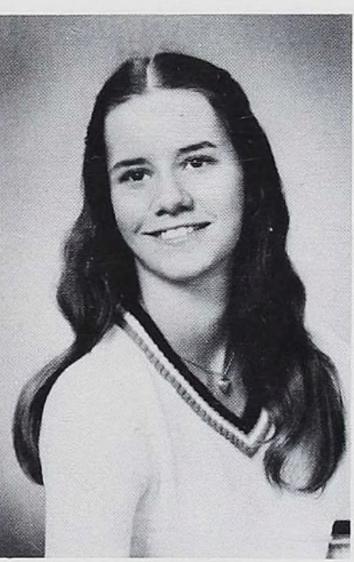
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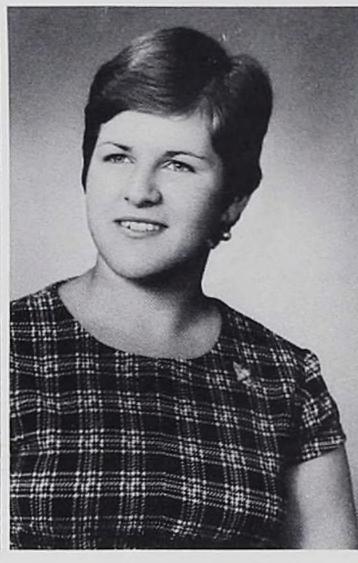
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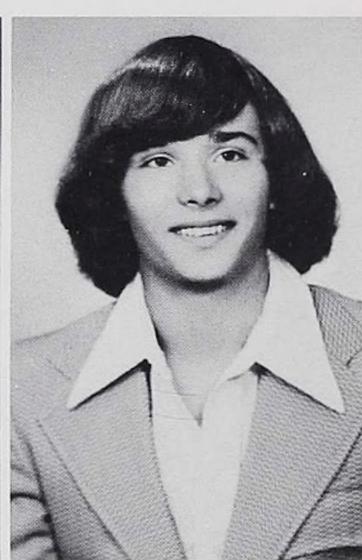
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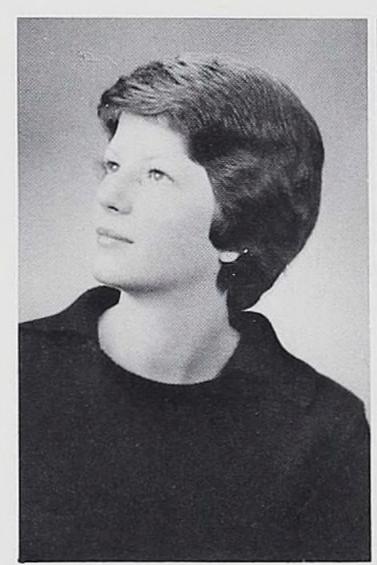
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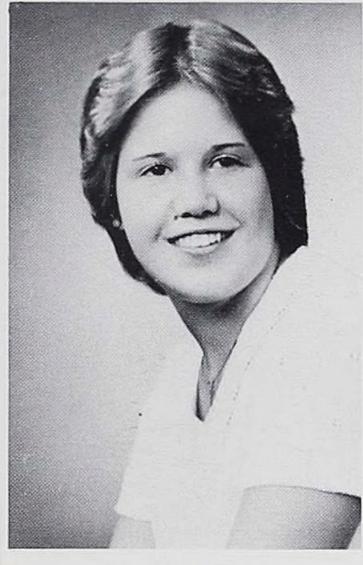
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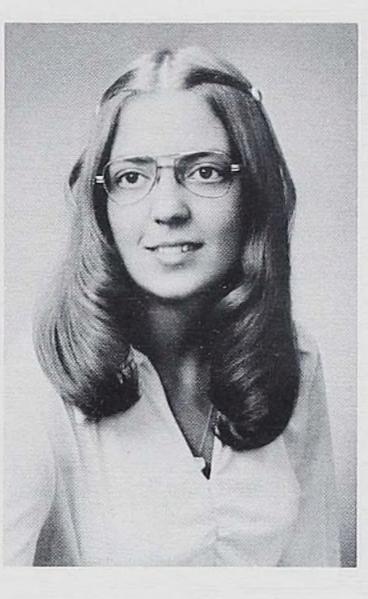
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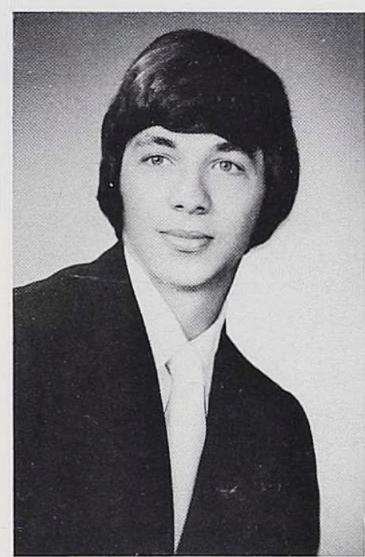


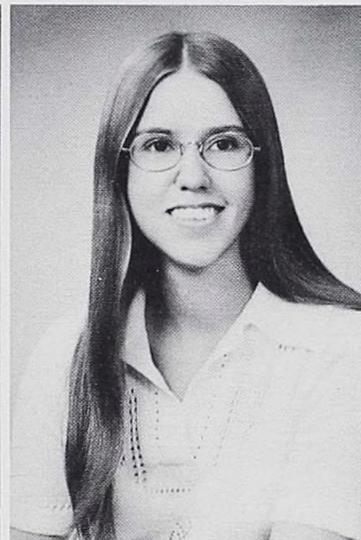
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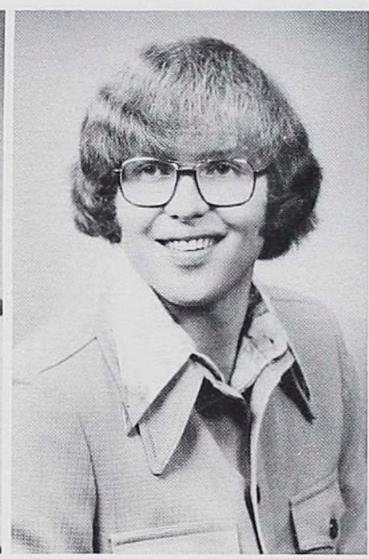
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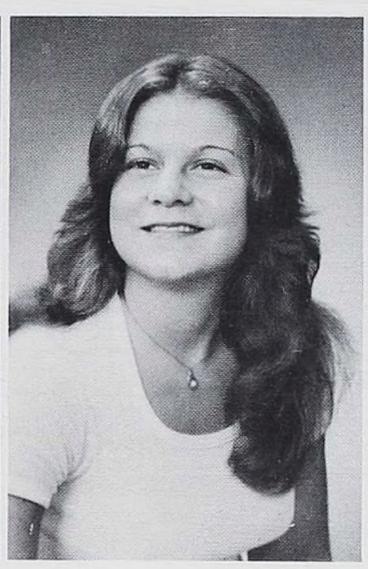
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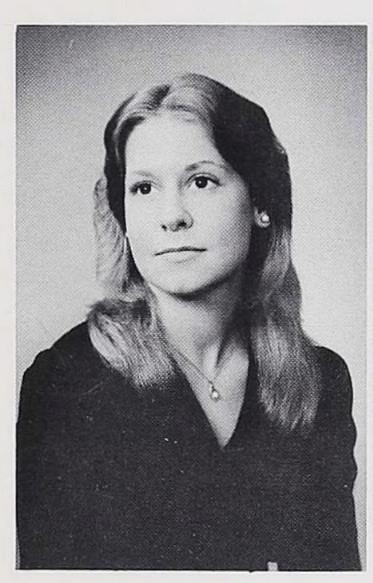


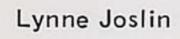
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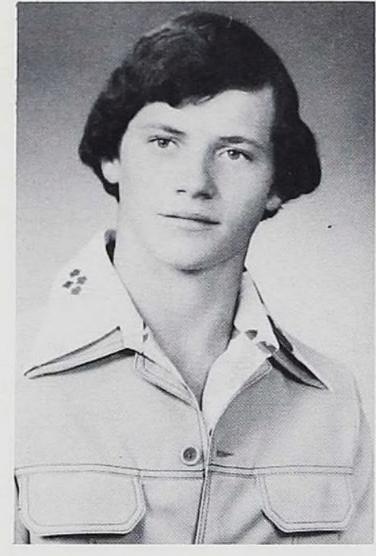
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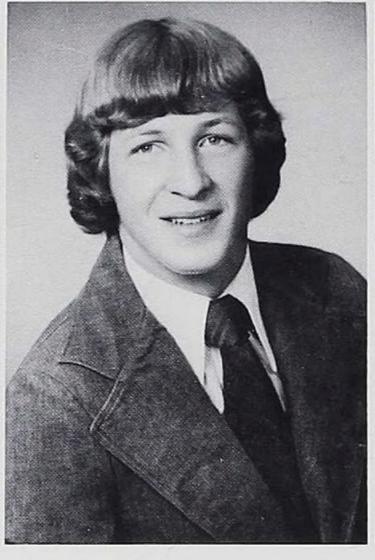


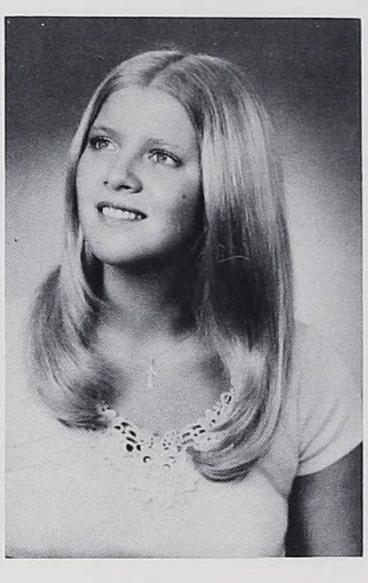
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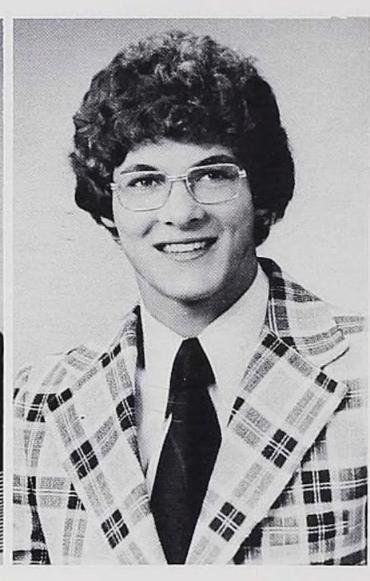
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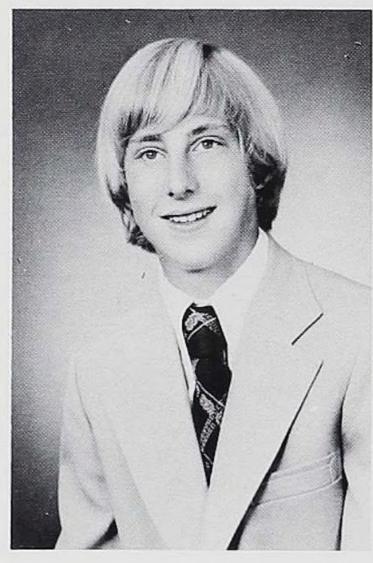


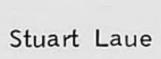
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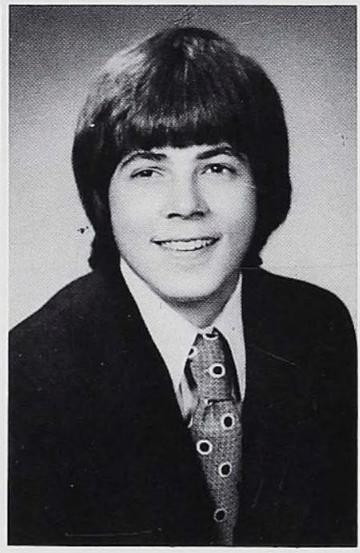
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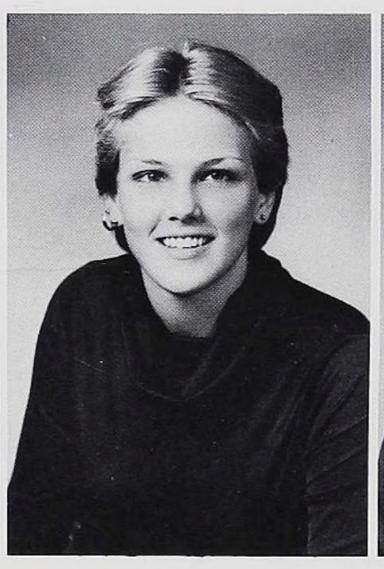
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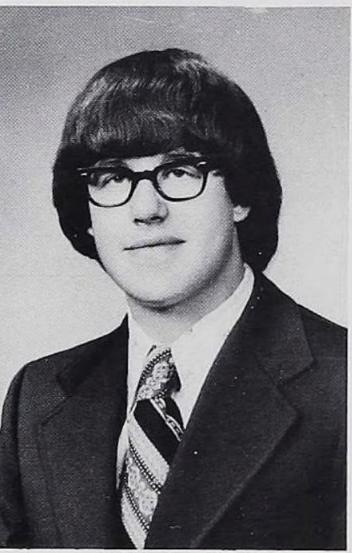




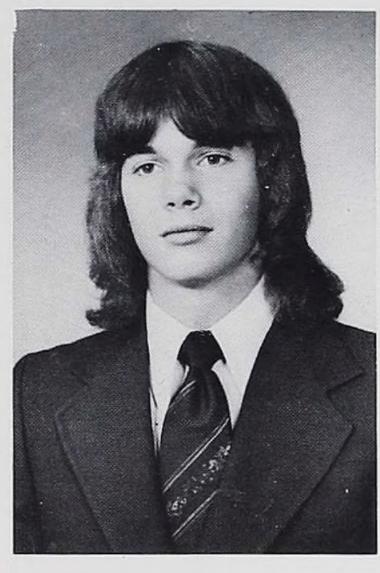
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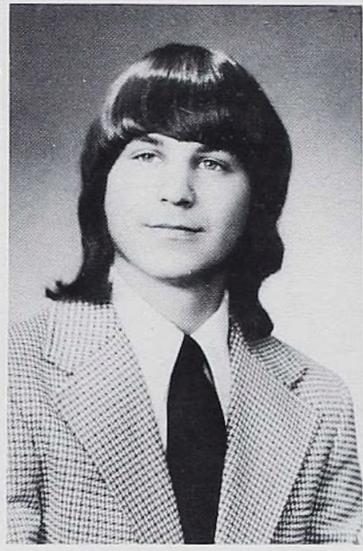
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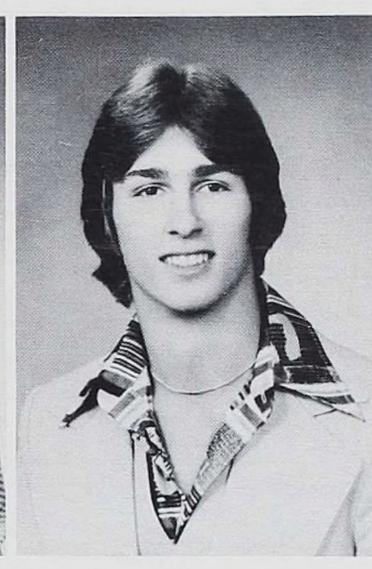
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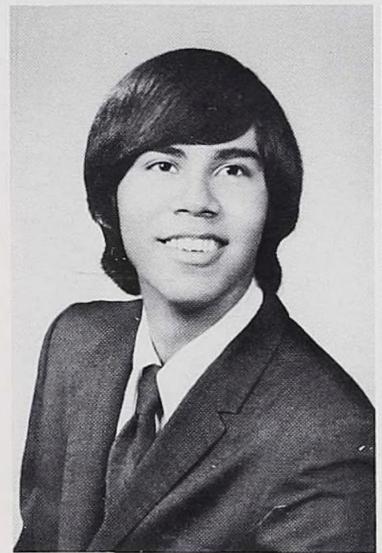
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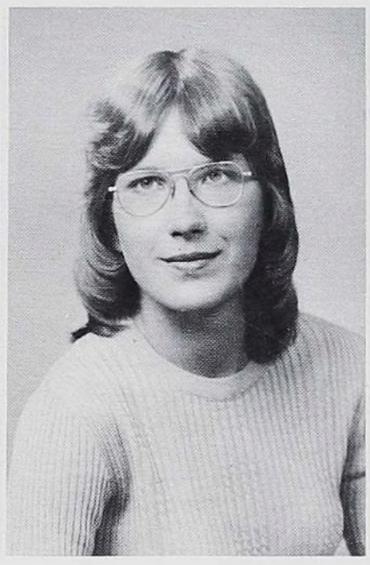
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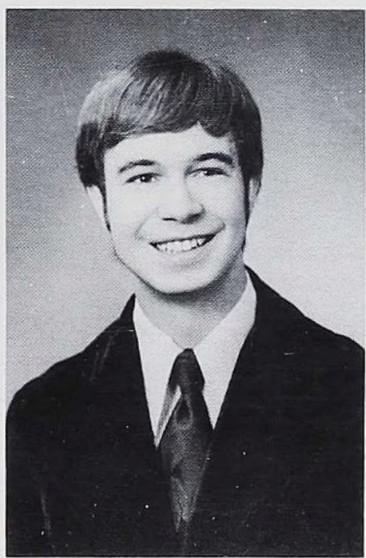
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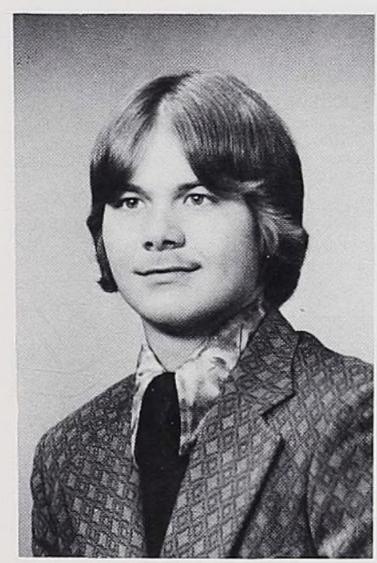
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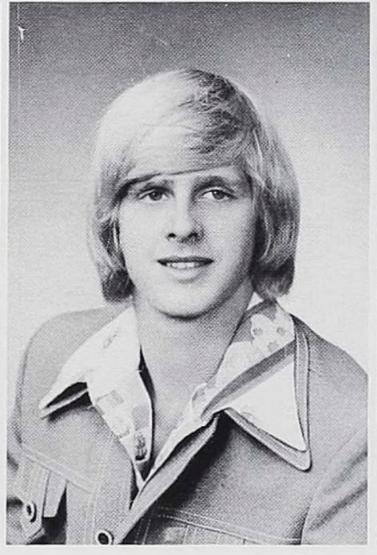
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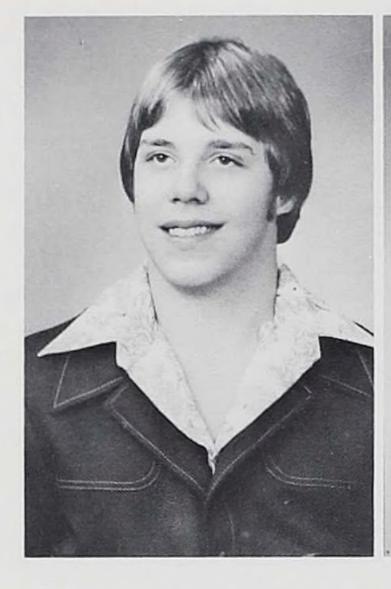
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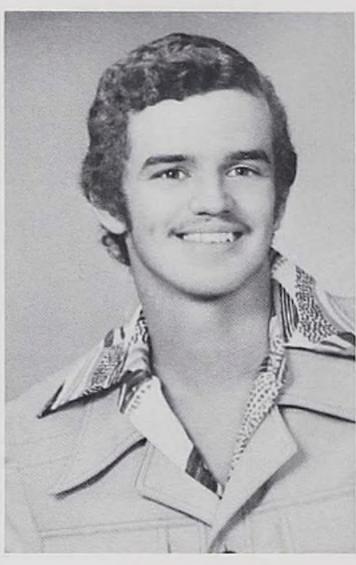
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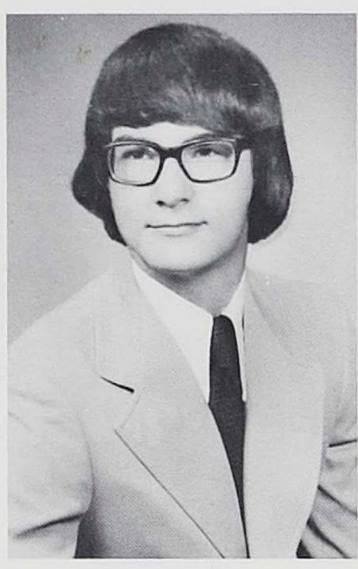
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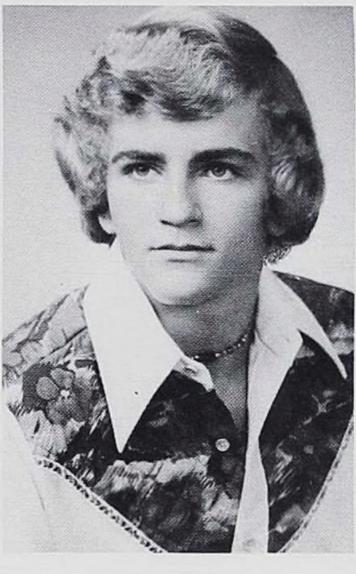
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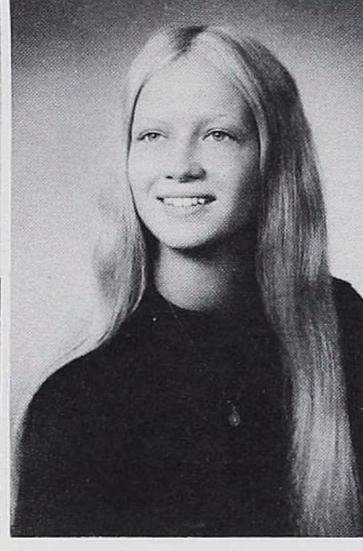
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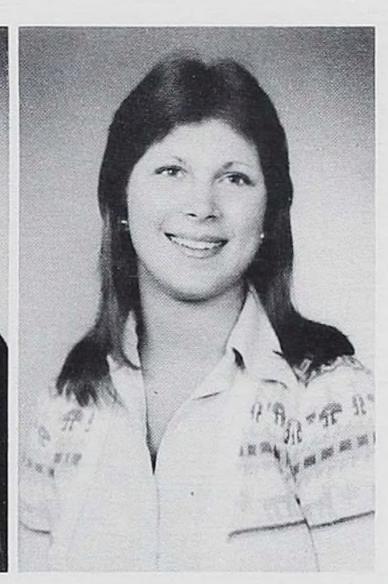
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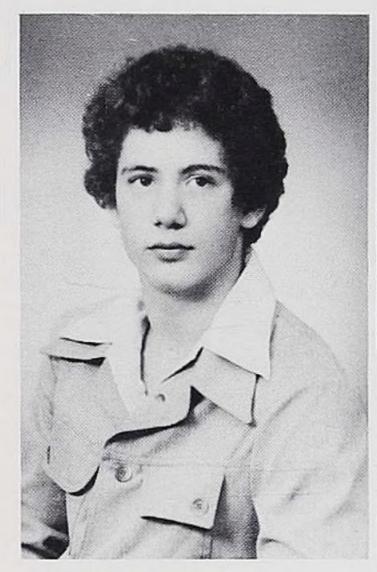
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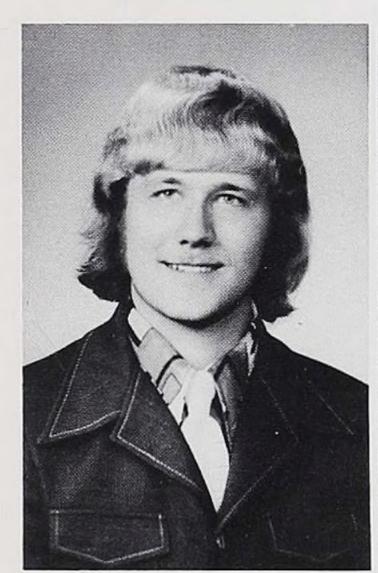
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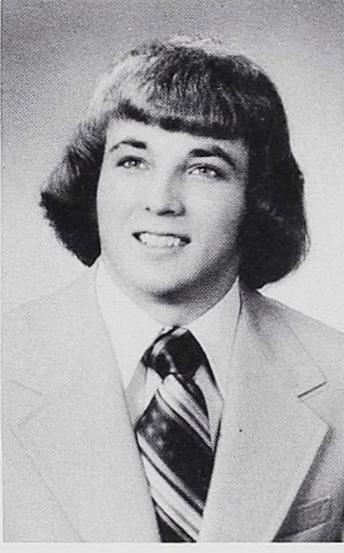
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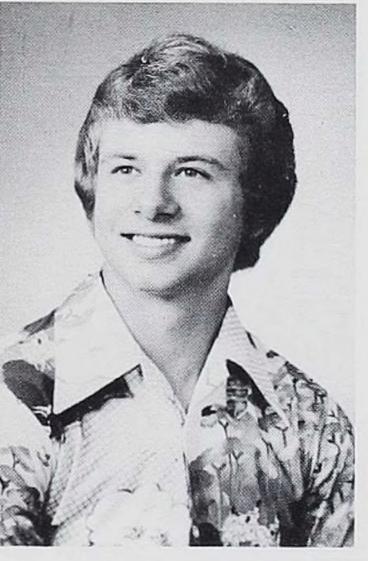
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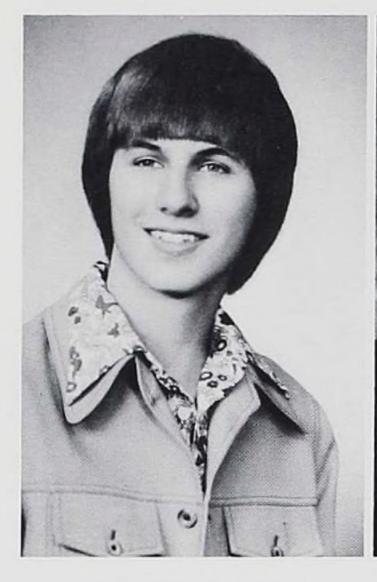
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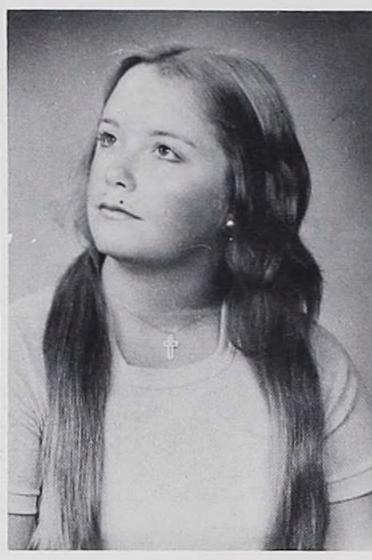
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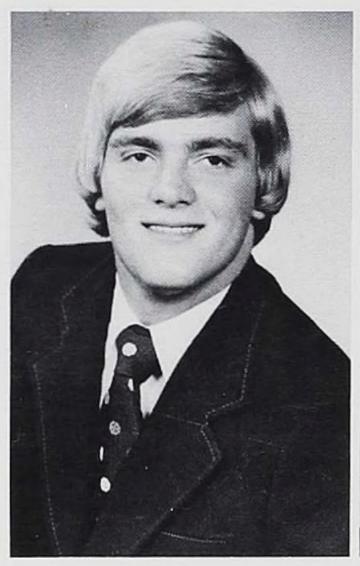
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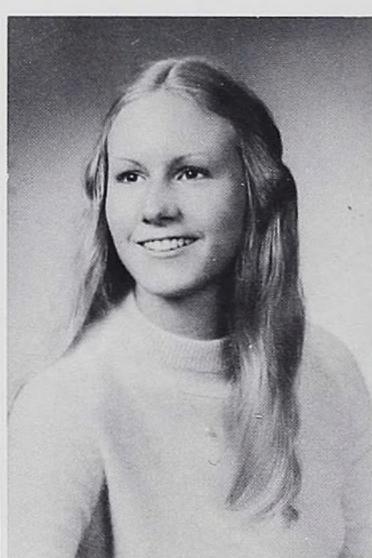
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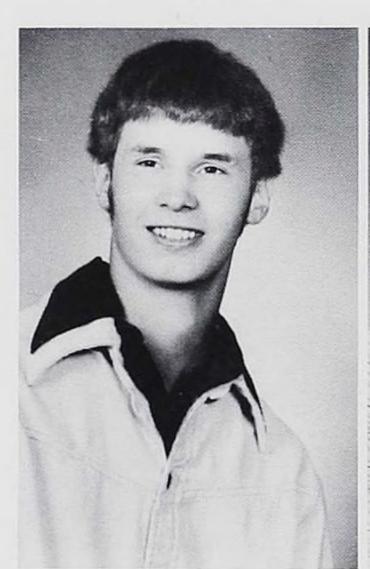
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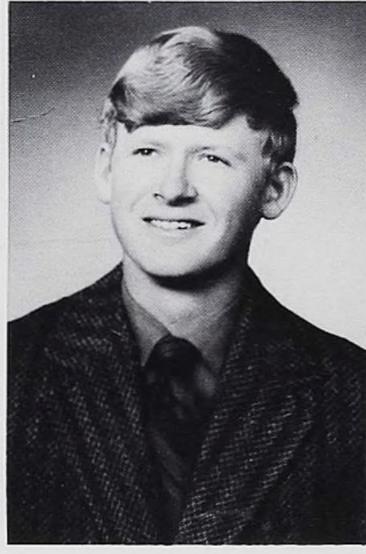
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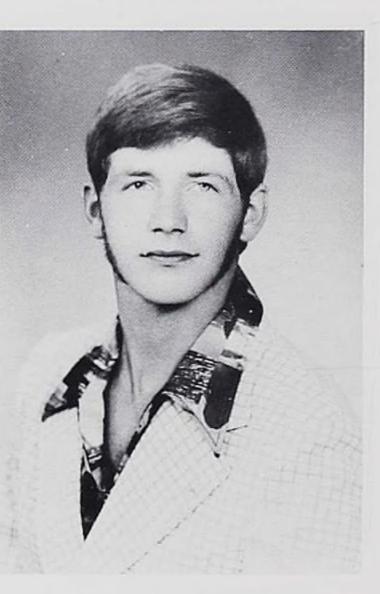
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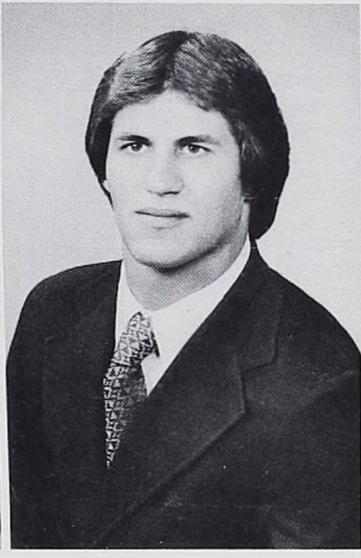
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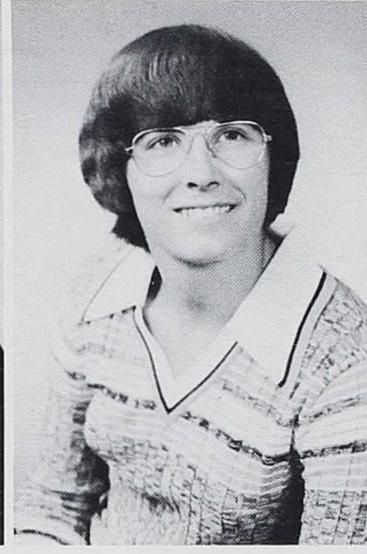
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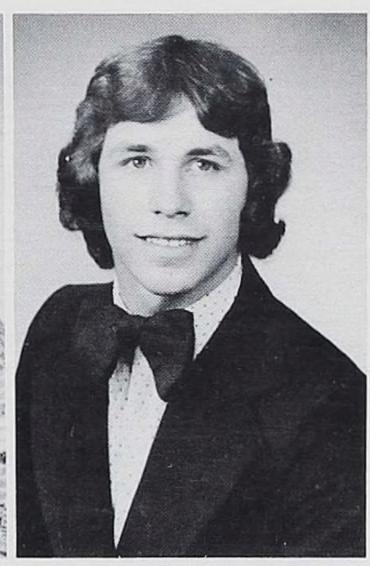
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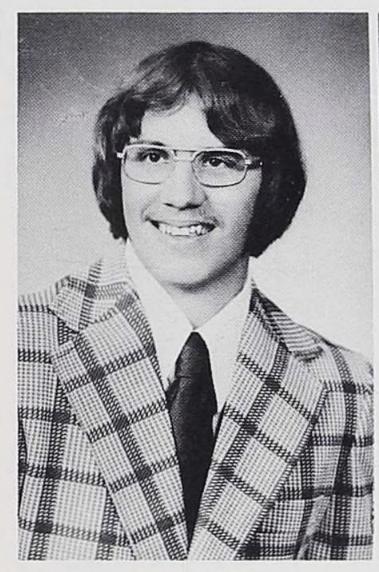
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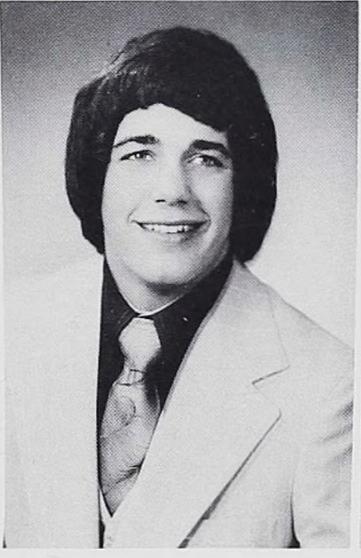
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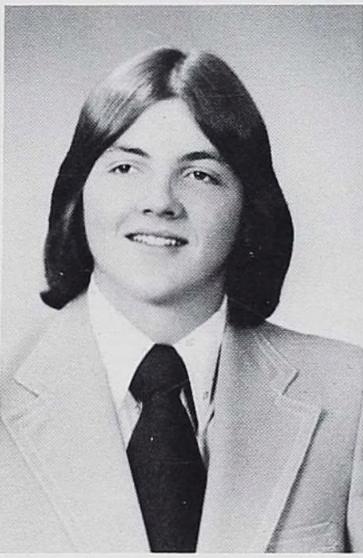
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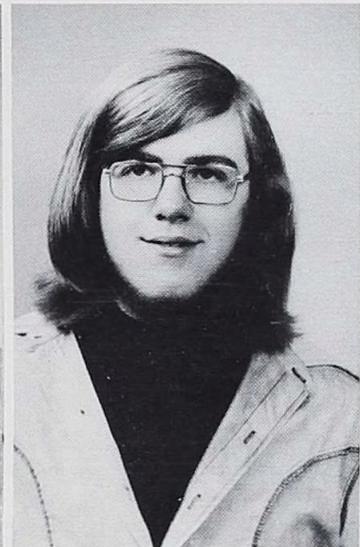
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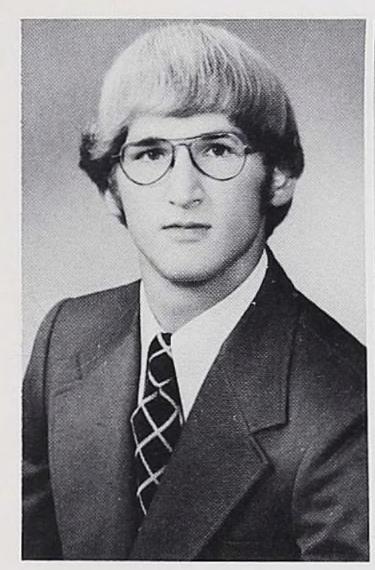
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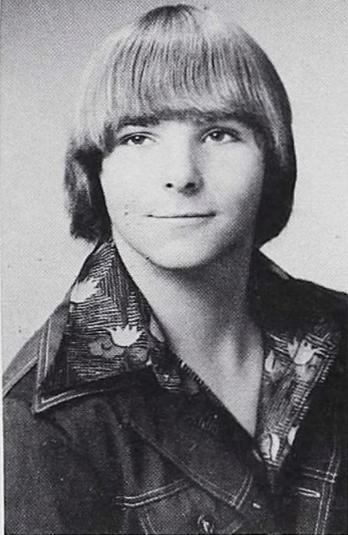
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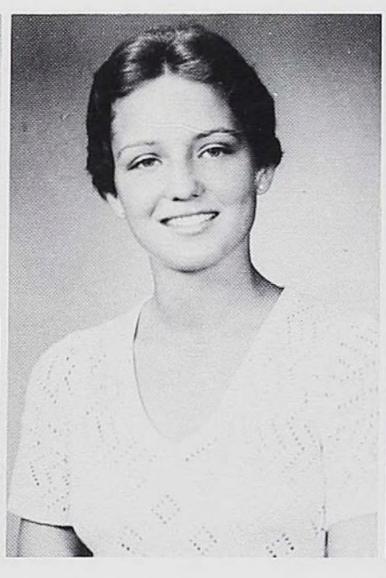
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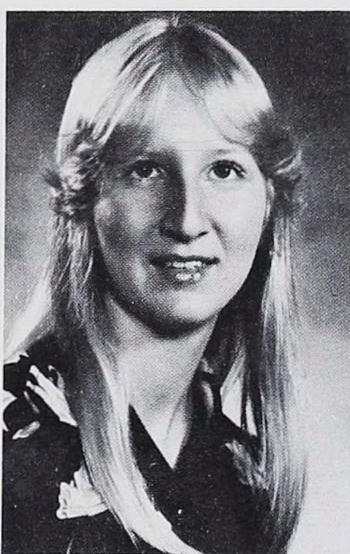
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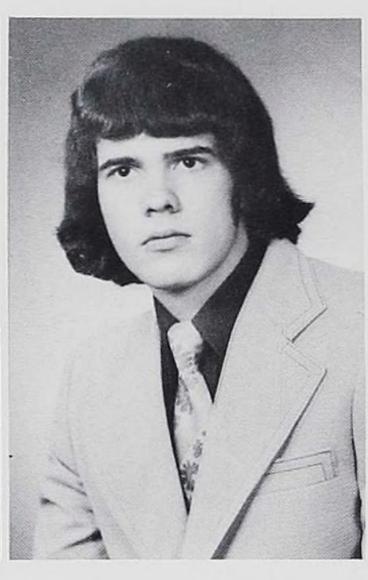
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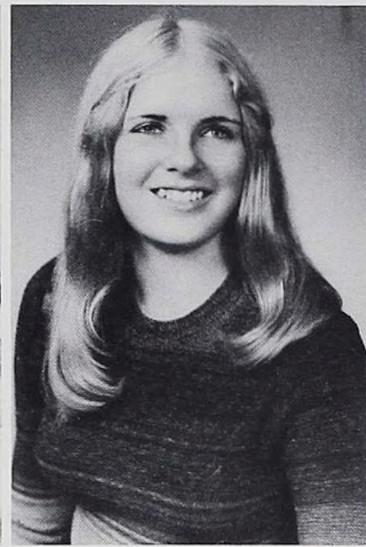
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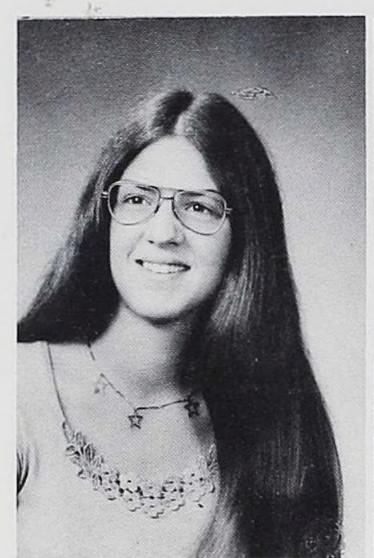
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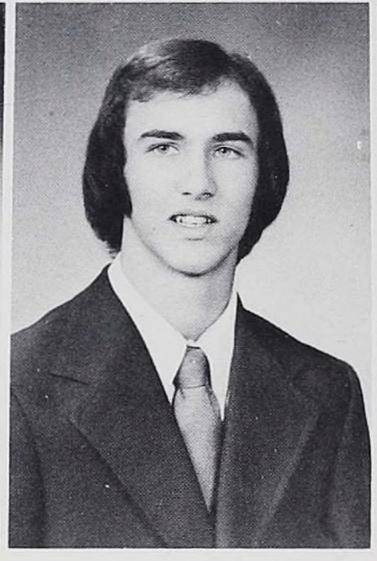
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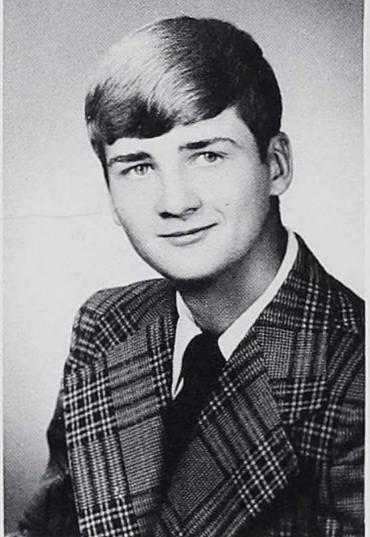
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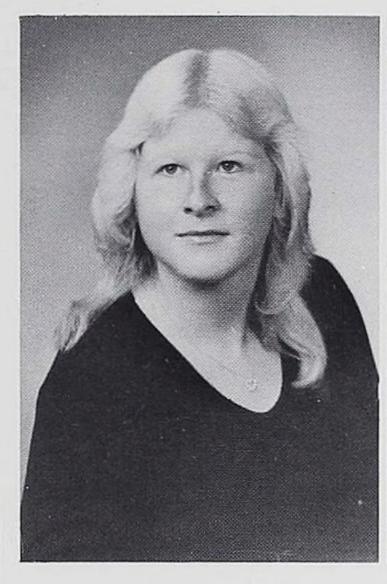
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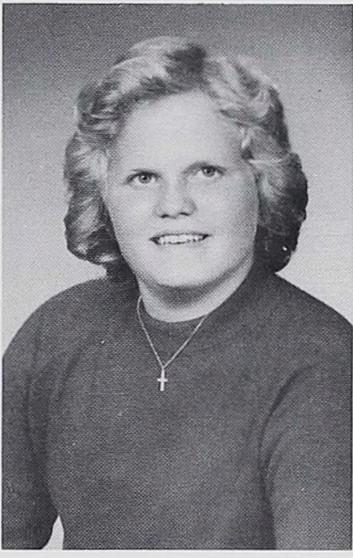
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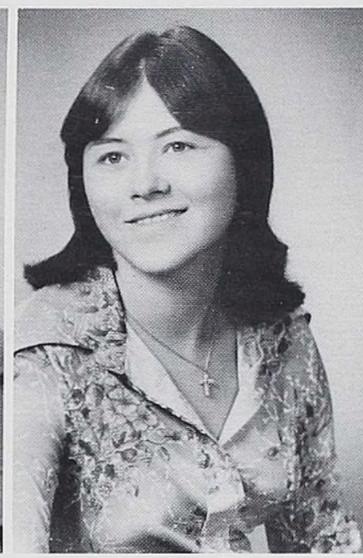
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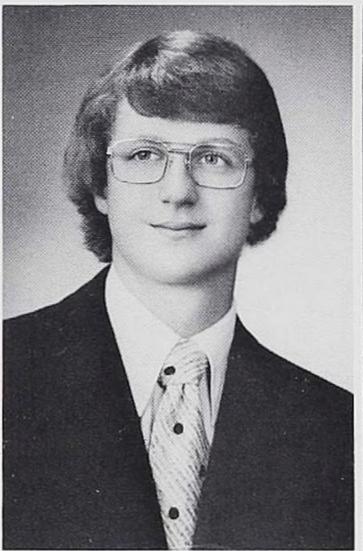
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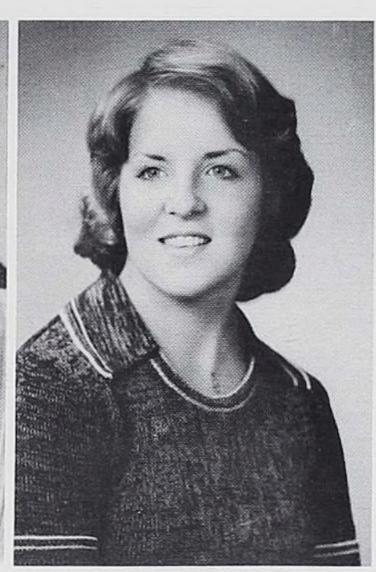
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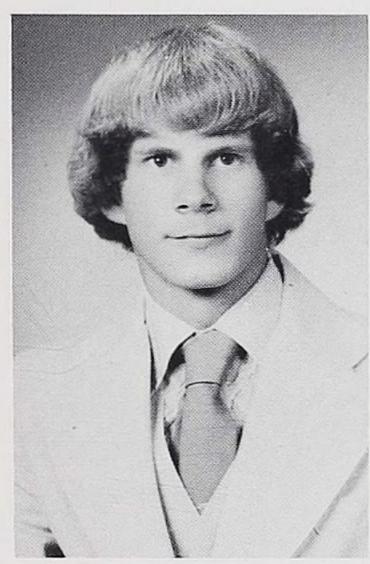
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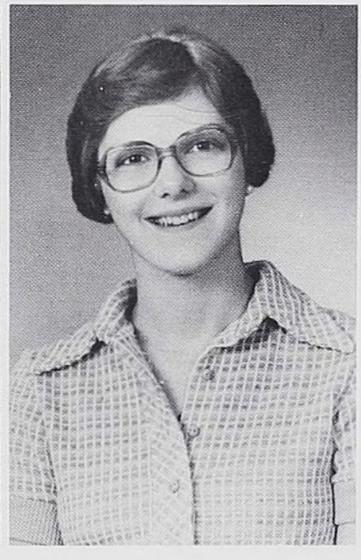
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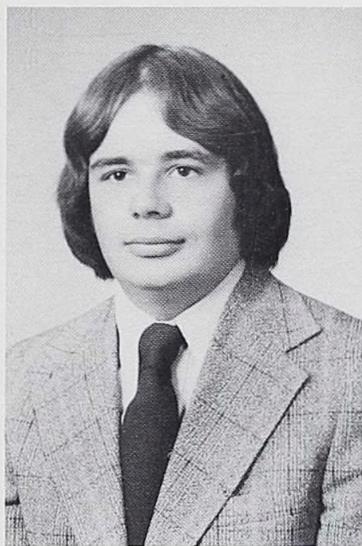
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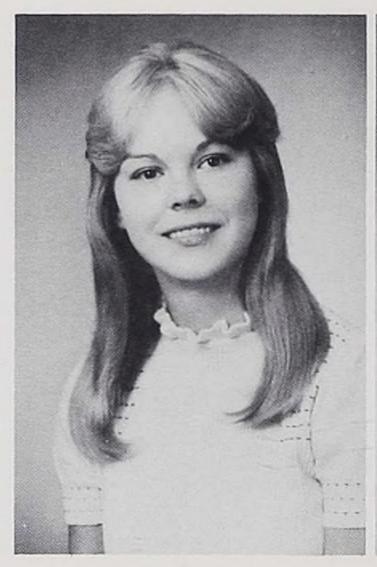


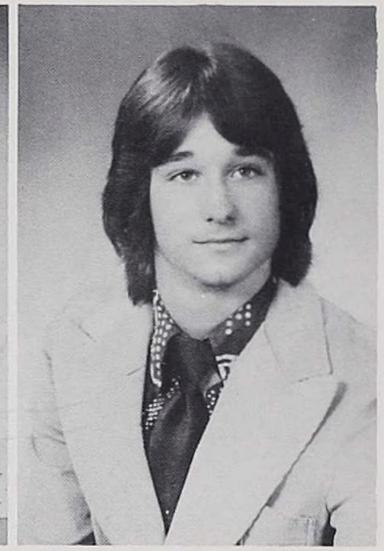
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John Wozniak

Seniors Choose Preamble To Graduation





Sharon Zakrzewski

John Zloza

Many Years From Now We Will
Recall A Flower That Of A Rose,
A Song Entitled 'Dream On',
The Colors Of Mint Green And Ivory,
And A Motto Which Said:
Live That You May The More
Completely Realize And Live In The
Idea Which Contains The Reason Of
Your Life And That You May Build
Up Yourself To The Height Of Your
Conceptions
The Senior Class Of 1977



David Fecher, Tri-valedictorian

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Patrons Of The Class Of 1977

Mr. and Mrs. John Antonucci

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Mrs. Evelyn Clark

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne O. Cox

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Curless

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duncan

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Mrs. Charles Walker

Rev. and Mrs. T. Bentley Warrington

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Weir

Mr. and Mrs. Philip West

Mr. and Mrs. Waler Wozniak

Juniors Look Ahead To The Prom



1977 Junior Class officers: Steve Wade, Vice-president; Tina Galloway, Treasurer; Carla Nickerson, Secretary; Doug Fraser, President.

We are the Juniors and have had our busiest year yet at New Prairie. We have begun to prepare for our futures by working diligently in our regular studies and taking the S.A.T. Test.

Meeting with our guidance counselors in the spring, we selected the courses which would meet the requirements for graduation and would provide us with the necessary background for the college or the career which we selected. The selection of our class schedule for our final year at New Prarie made some of us sad and some of us glad. For when we returned in the fall, we would be Seniors.

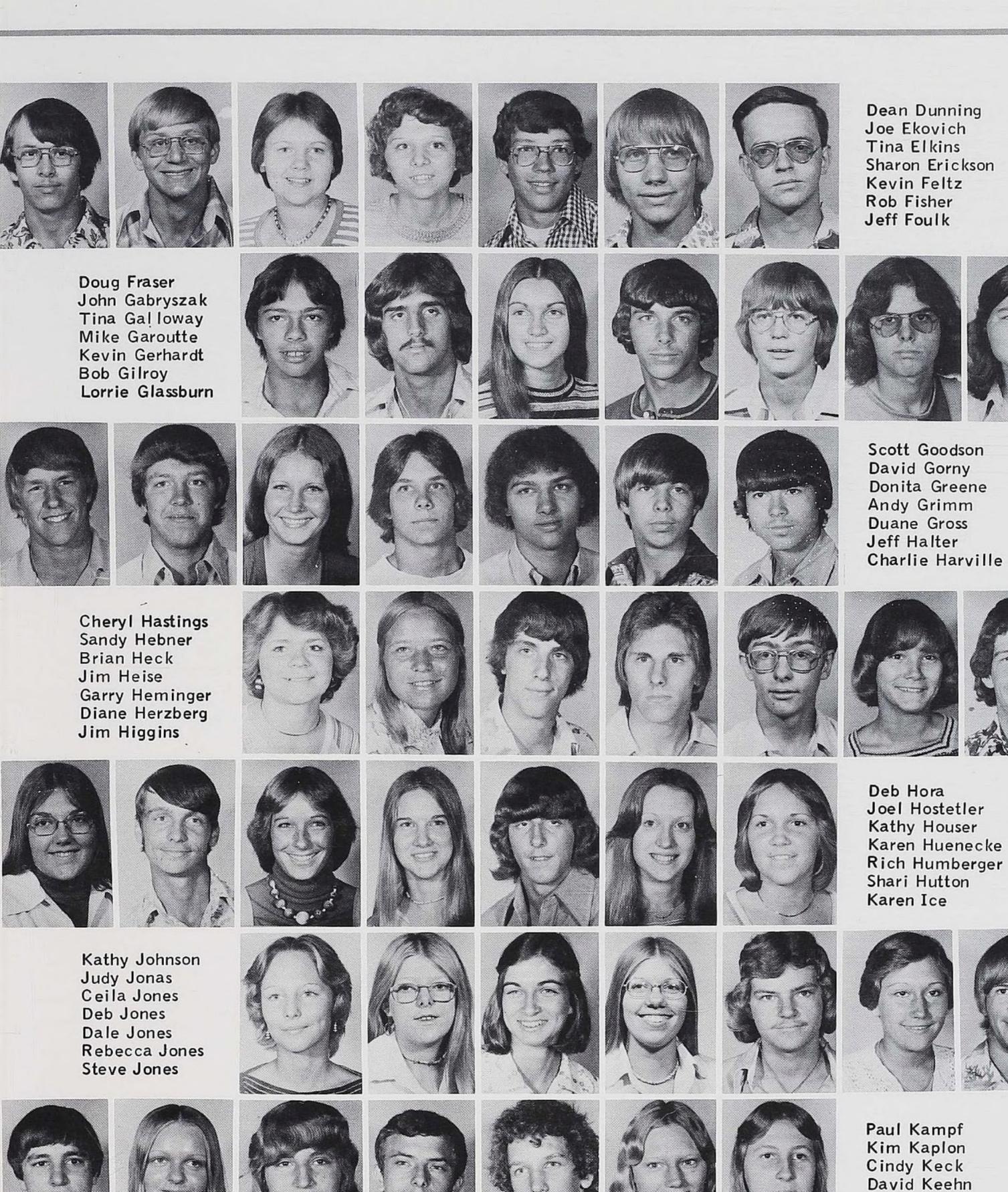
Of course, the prom was our big event. As we attempted to imporve over the previous year's class was the junior senior prom. By working together we transformed the gym into a land of fantasy and enabled everyone to enjoy some moments we shall long remmeber of the very successful and colorful event.

With only one year of high school ahead of us, we look back to our Junior year as one of our best years at New Prairie.

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Mary Adnson Rick Albertson Ted Allen Nico Alvarado Pam Artist Greg Ash Doug Atherton Ann Babarik Kim Bates Greg Baxter Jeff Beck Gregg Behrens Karin Blad Cindy Blanchard Cheryl Brown Rebecca Brown Don Bryant Debra Buck Dawn Buell Janice Bunton Pat Burns Sam Bush Peggy Butler Kendi Cady Pam Cain Sue Cain David Campos Randy Candler Lennie Carlson Lynn Chapman Art Christenson Pat Cites Tom Clark Tim Coan David Codman Terry Coffman Joni Colglazier Paul Connett Chris Countryman Judy Crouch Rick Cunningham Mark Czanderna Tom Danielson Ed Dean Sue Dobbins Leslie Dopieralski Harry Dudeck James Dudeck Lance Dudeck

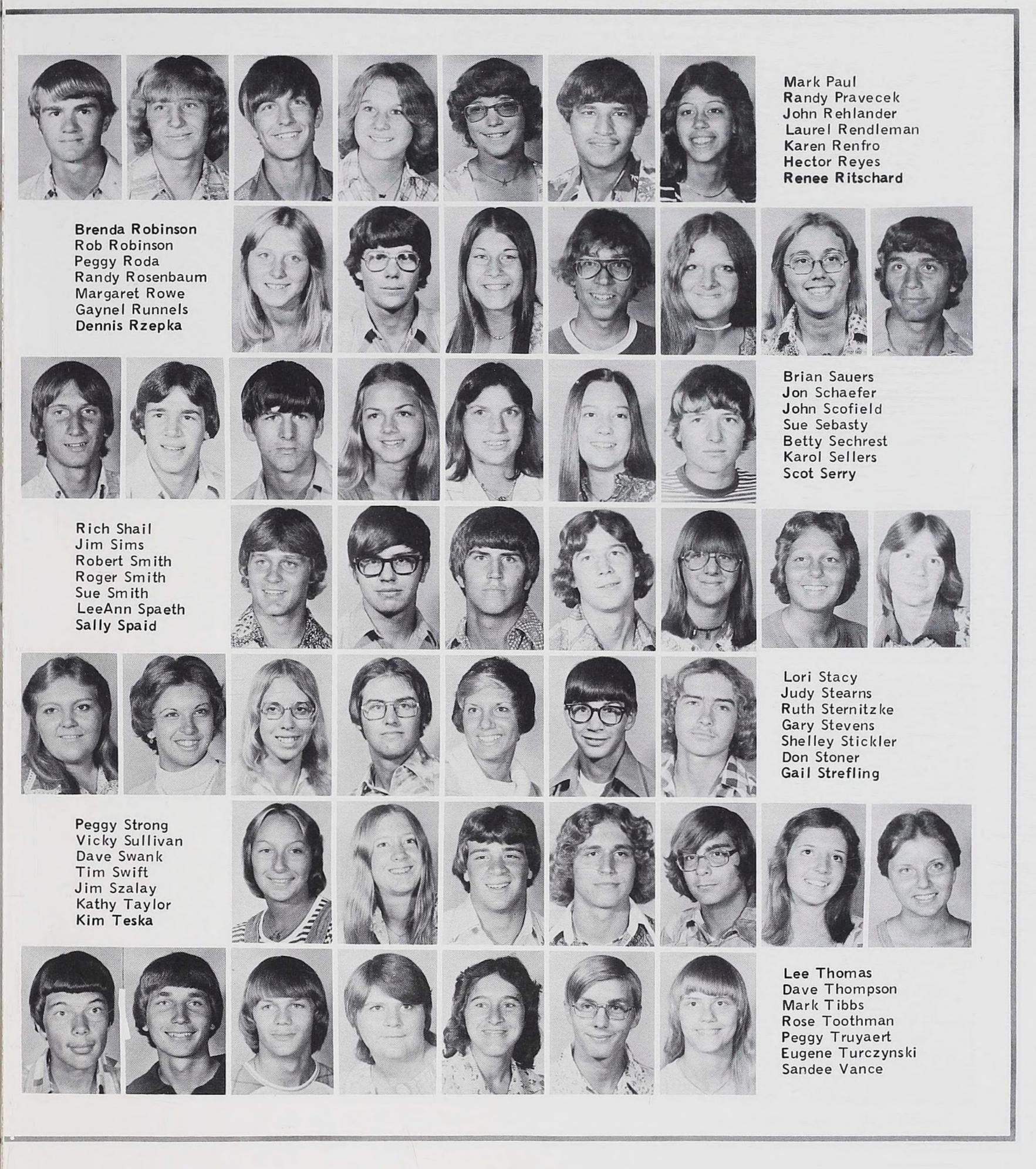


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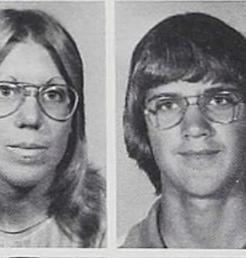
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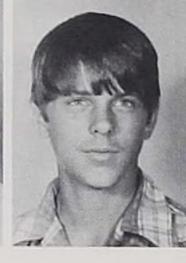


















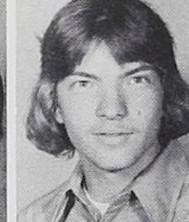




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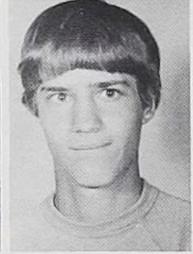












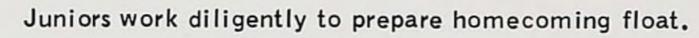






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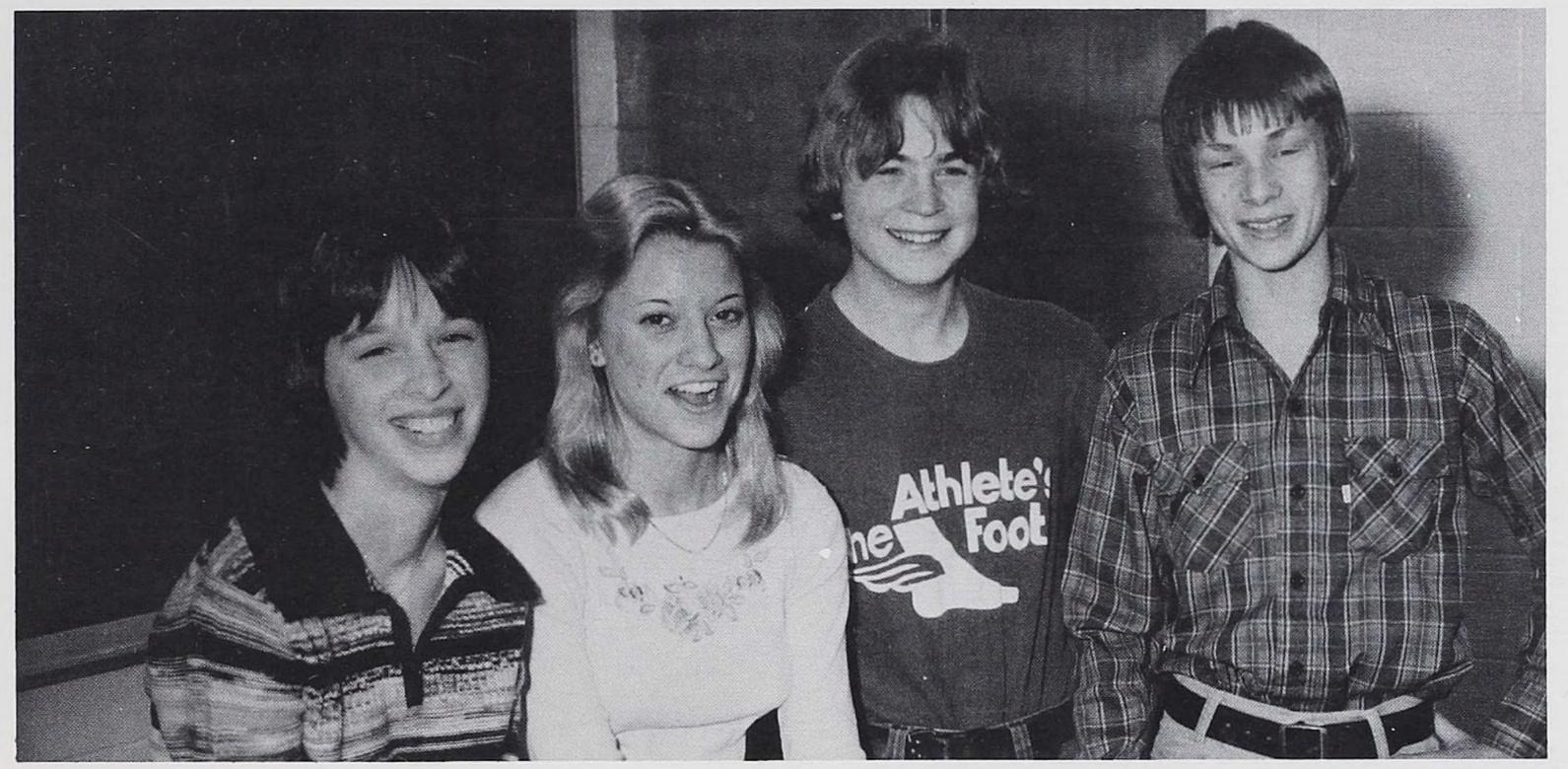






Juniors hustle through the hallway toward their class.

Sophomores Exercise Salesmanship



1977 Sophomore Class Officers: Vice-President, Jackie Jasinski; Secretary, Nora Harris; Treasurer, Dale Bode; President, Eric Wolfe.

Class Of 1979

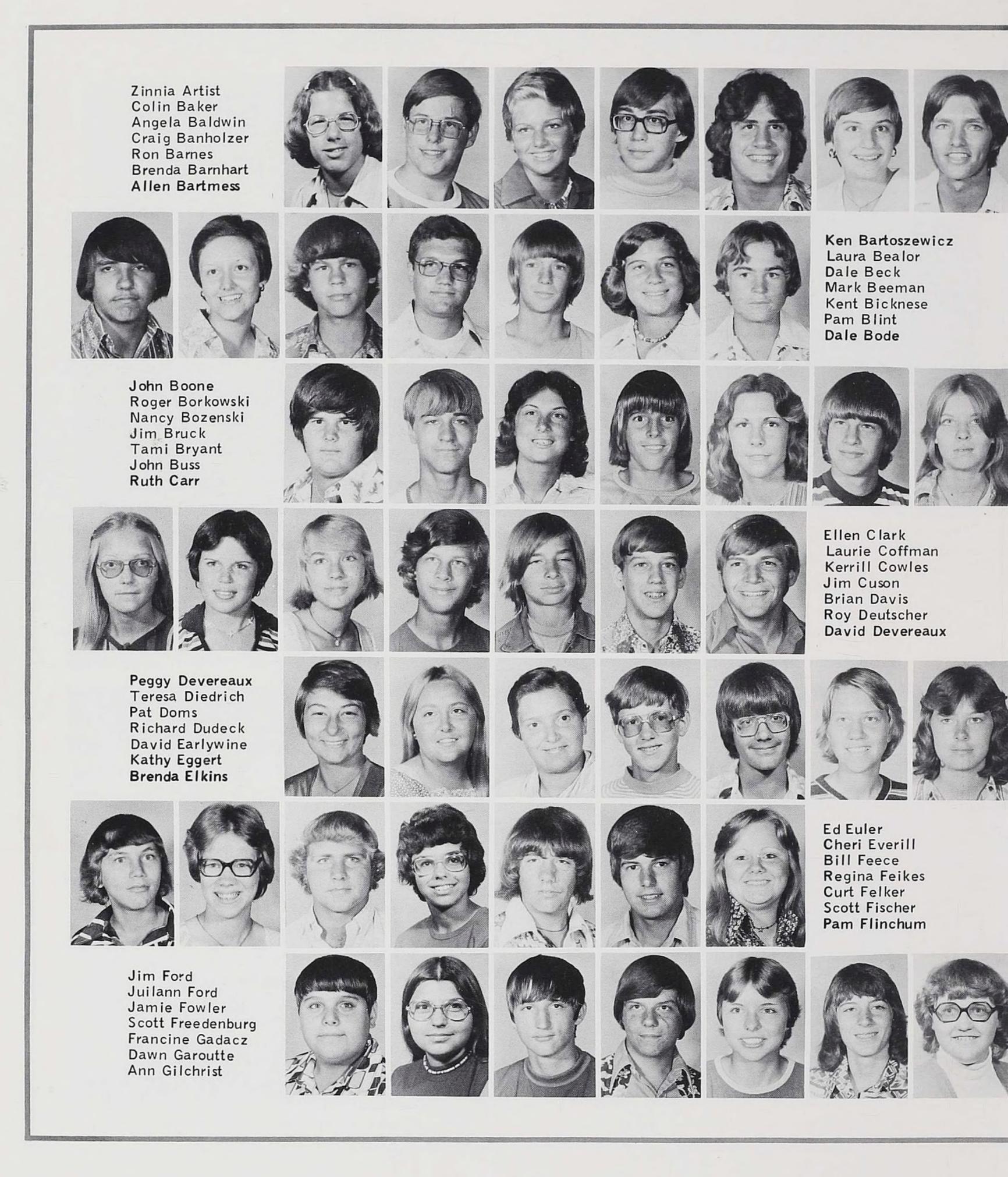
Returning to school after the summer vacation and greeting new friends provided excitement on registration day as we prepared for another year not as newcomers to the school but as experienced sophomores.

We boosted our class treasury with the annual sophomore magazine sales. "Buy a magazine from me" was heard throughout the hall-ways as we asked everyone to aid in our moneymaking project which will be used to produce our junior-senior prom in 1978.

Our attendance at school functions established as freshmen continued as we backed the Cougars. We participated by being members of the boys or girls varsity and junior-varsity teams.

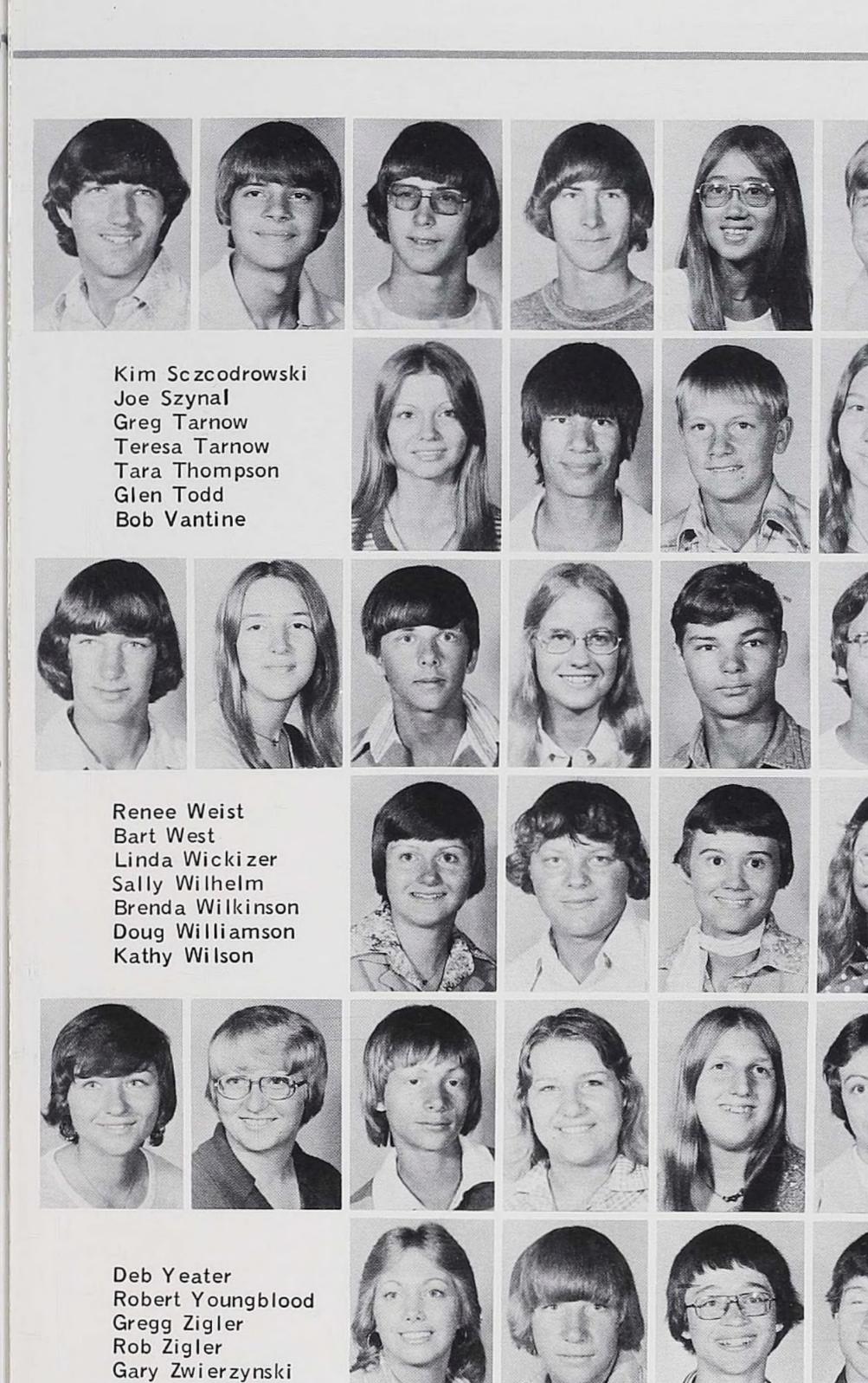
Selecting our class rings provided a change of pace from finding out why A = B, where our ancestries came from, or learning how to operate a typewriter without looking at the keyboard.

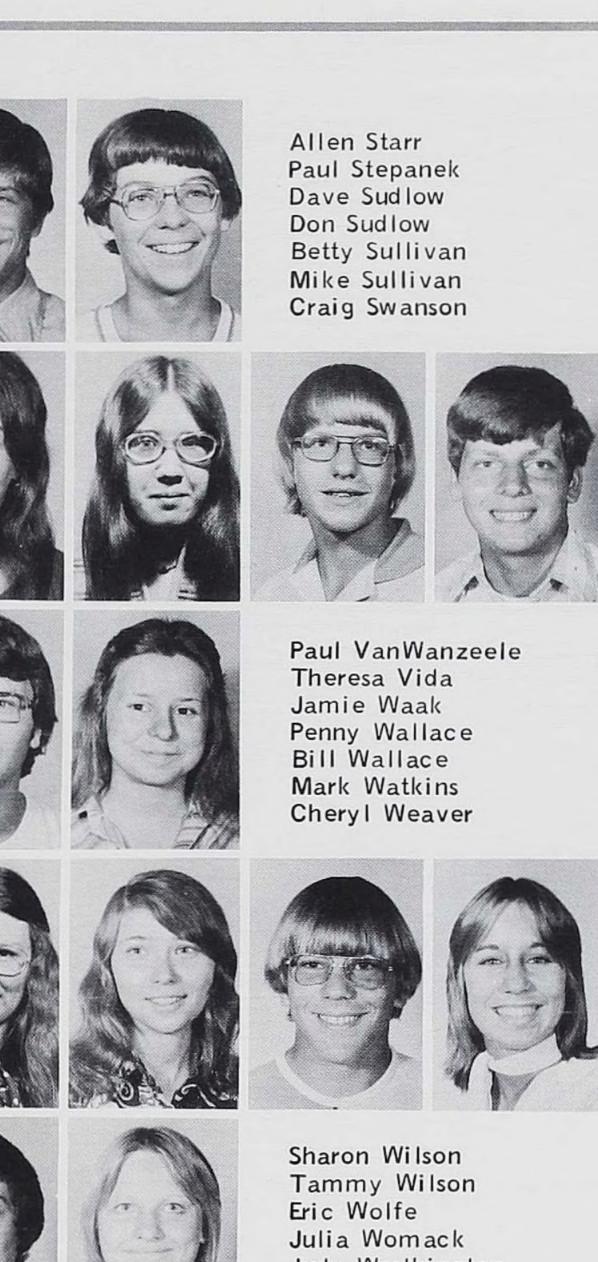
Now we have complete the year in which we received our rings, cleaned up after the prom and anticipate an eventful summer prior to our return as Juniors and more educational experiences.

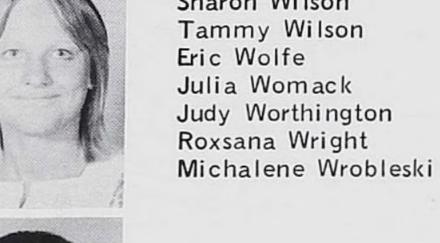




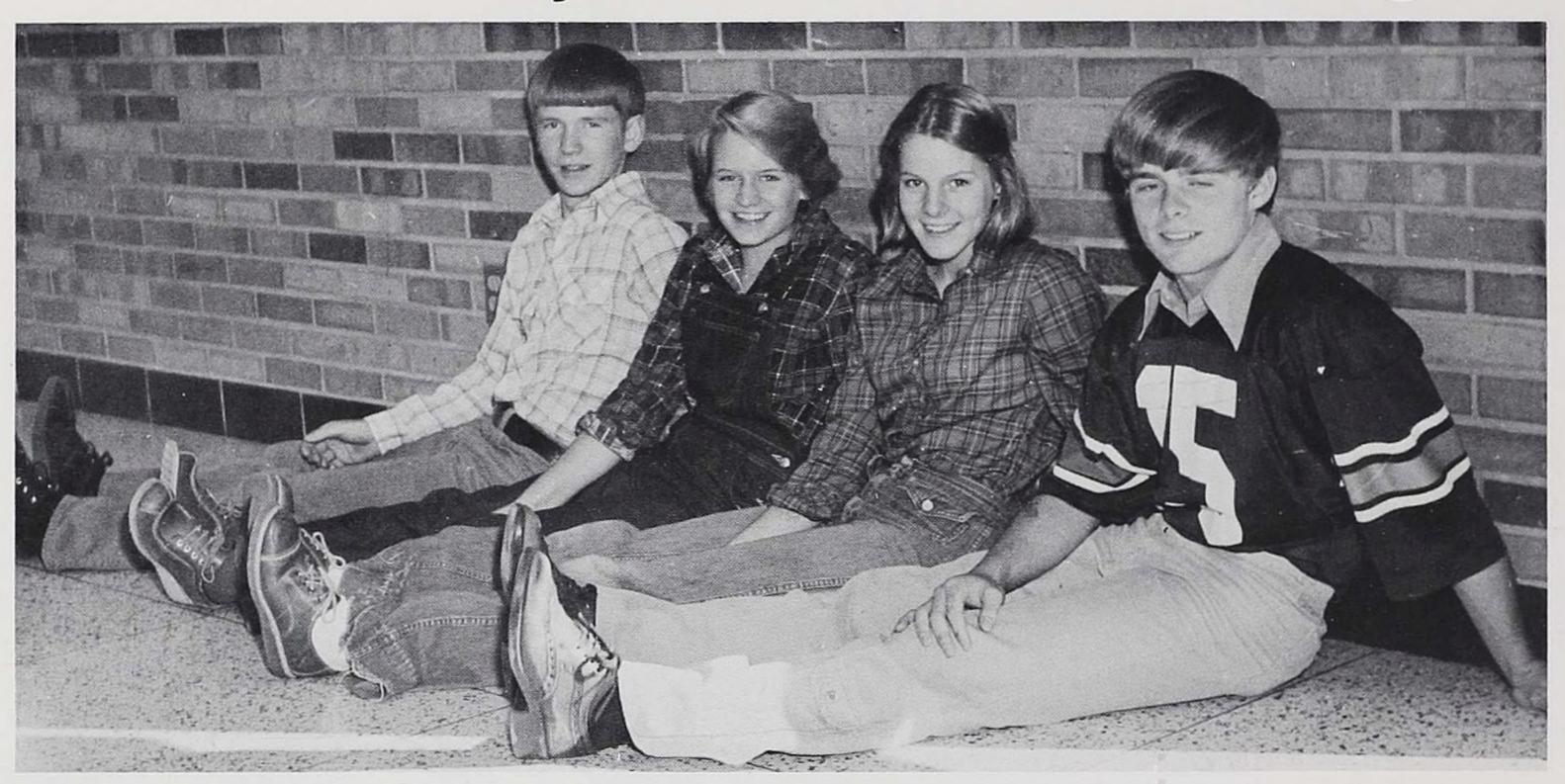
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Freshmen Adjust To New Surroundings



1977 Freshmen Class Officers: Treasurer, Jim Klute; Secretary, Sharie Tarnow; Vice President, Sally Wolfe; President, Mitch Kane.

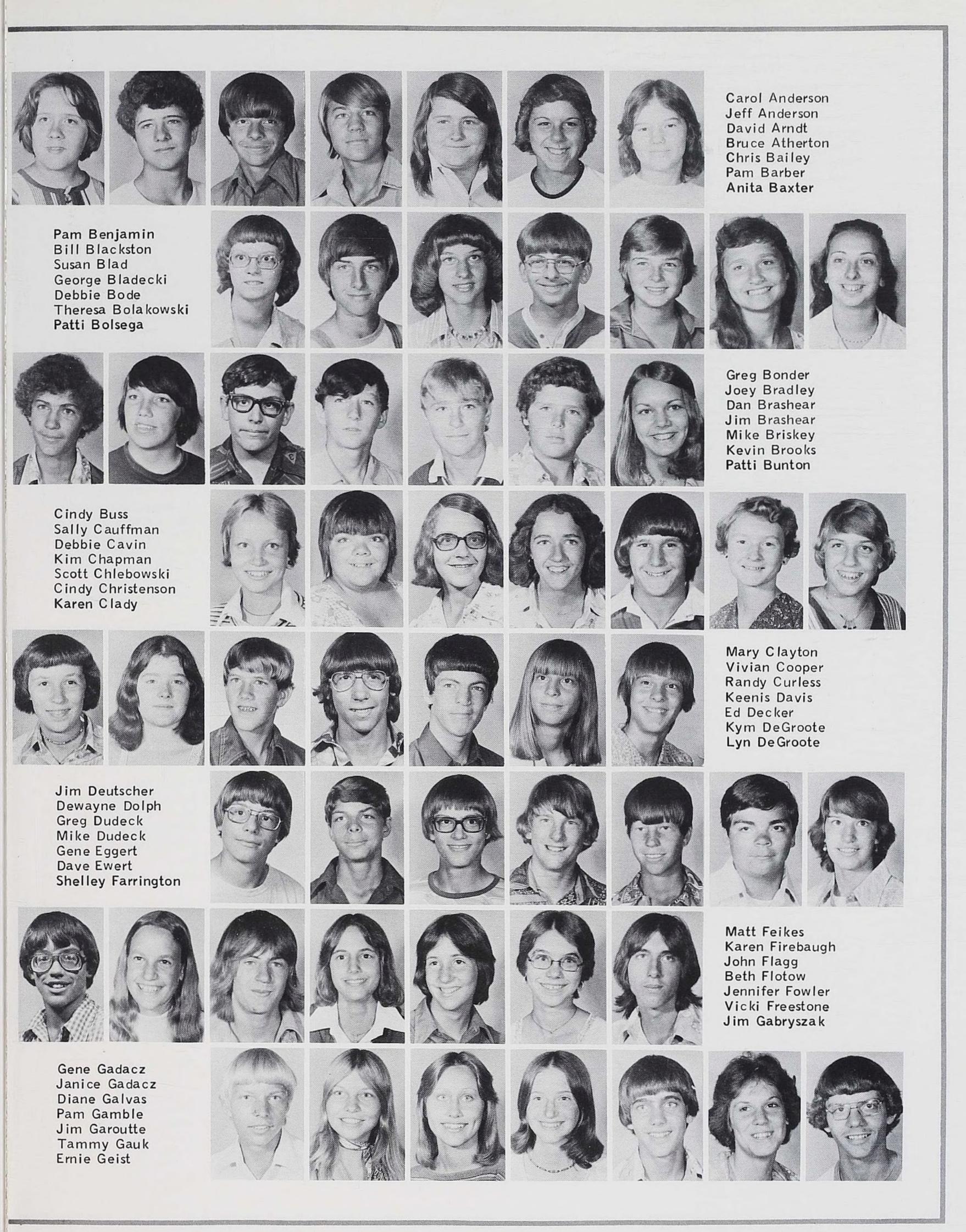
Class Of 1980

High school has been a new experience for us. It took time for us to adjust to the maze of hallways, getting to class before the tardy bell, and what to do during home room besides roaming the hallways.

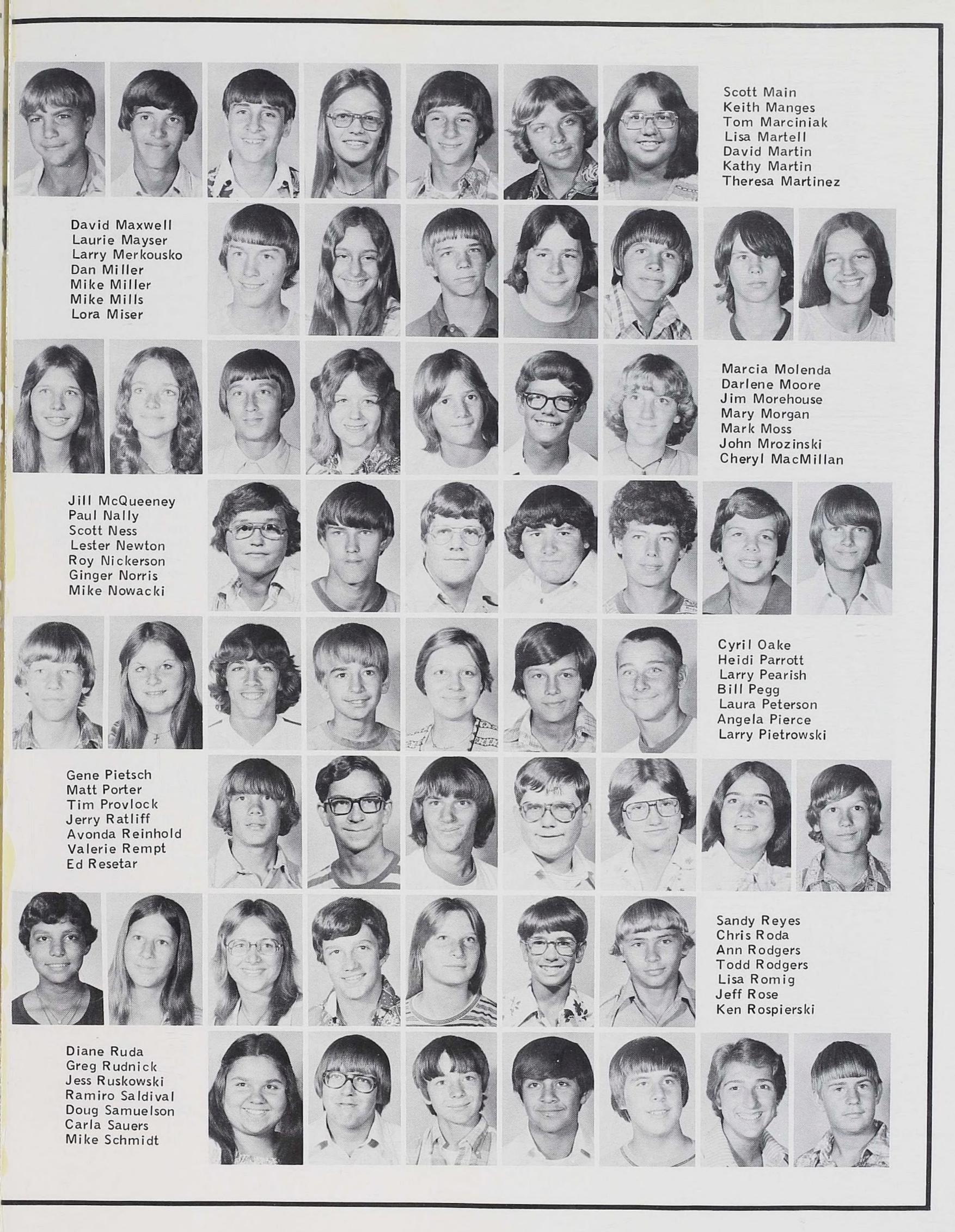
We were beginners in high school classes. Our large number have made progress as we participated in sporting activities, clubs, where we developed ourselves until we demonstrated the ease, self-confidence, and poise found in the upperclassmen. We dreamed of the years ahead---until our Graduation day.

We began our first year with working on math problems, learning about the free enterprise system and applying English knowledge in our compositions. We developed friendships and lived good times which will be remembered during vacations and afterwards.

The summer will pass quickly and we will anxiously return as sophomores to greet old friends and to make new ones--and look forward to another year at New with the special events and activities that it will hold for us.



Sharin Gierke Greg Gilpin Gwen Gilroy Leon Glon Brian Green Theresa Haddock Steve Hagler Greg Hall Jill Hampshire Patti Hardy Sheila Harness Matt Harrington Westley Harris Lori Hastings Jim Heath Renee Herbert David Henry Pat Higgins Jay Hochstetler Andy Holman Mike Holmquest Reuben Holmquest Dan Hostetler Rory Hudson Kathy Humberger Mark Jones Kim Jorgenson Brenda Jozwiak Mitch Kane Bryan Keck Darma Keen Jack Keldsen Tim Keller Chris Kent Dean Kenyon Jim King Dave Kirkham Jim Klute Ed Kopkowski Janet Kremke Virginia Lake Virginia Lamb Debbie LePage Everett Lau Neil Lauver Tom Lazo Tammy Lenig Tim LeRoy Kerry Leslie Mary Lestinsky Vicki Lewis Jack Loop Dave Loree Roxanne Lutes Sue Lynch Tom Lynch



Sandy Scott Jim Seeley Bill Seering Lisa Serry Rob Shail Lynn Shaffer Kelly Shirley Renee Simmermeyer Tawni Sinka Laura Sipes Kim Smeaton Randy Smith Rodney Smith Sue Smith Ken Smuck Kelley Stacy Jim Stayback Bobbi Stevens Mike Stevens Vicky Stickler Debbie Sullivan Mark Sult Leon Sult Frank Szilagyi Shari Tarnow Chris Thompson Greg Thompson Jeff Thompson Kellie Thompson Mike Thompson Ron Thompson Laurie Touhey Mark Tuszypski Ross Vardaman Monica Varnak Lori Vermillion Nelson Vermilyer Barbara Vida Joan Vivirito Kevin Voelker Mike Volstore Dale Waak Barry Wagner Pam Waldo Jeannine Washluske Pam Waters Linda West Bruce Wilcox Dale Williams Mike Williams Marlene Williamson Karen Wilson Jerry Winter Brenda Wireman Sally Wolfe Doug Wollert

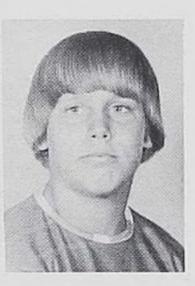












Steve Woodrick Gail Woolsey Rose Zarembka Sandy Zelasko Tom Zielinski Wayne Zwierzynski



Overcrowded classrooms were attributed to this year's large Freshmen class.

We Dedicate This Page To Those Who Have Gone Away . . .

Debra Bradshaw
Lelitia Breaux
Gregg Hall
Rory Hudson
Willard Hudson
Timothy James
James Romanowski







CLASSES

English: The Power Of Words



Today's world is one of words. Whether writing a term paper or talking with a friend in study hall, being able to communicate is a vital asset in our ever changing world.

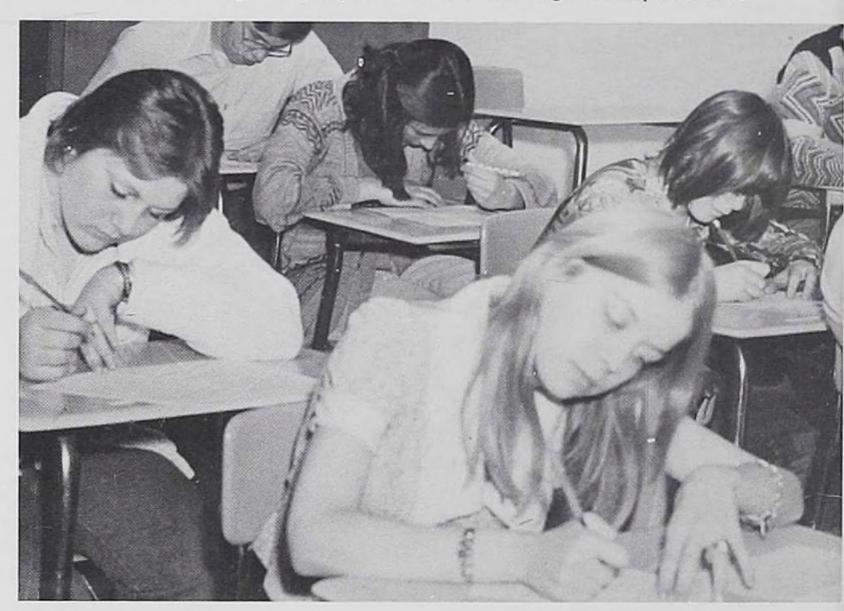
Learning words is only the first step towards good communication. The next step is learning to use them to express thoughts, ideas, and feelings effectively.

New Prairie students are learning how to communicate through courses in English I, II, III, accelerated English I, II, III, senior English, novels, and creative writing.

YOU forgot to underline your title.

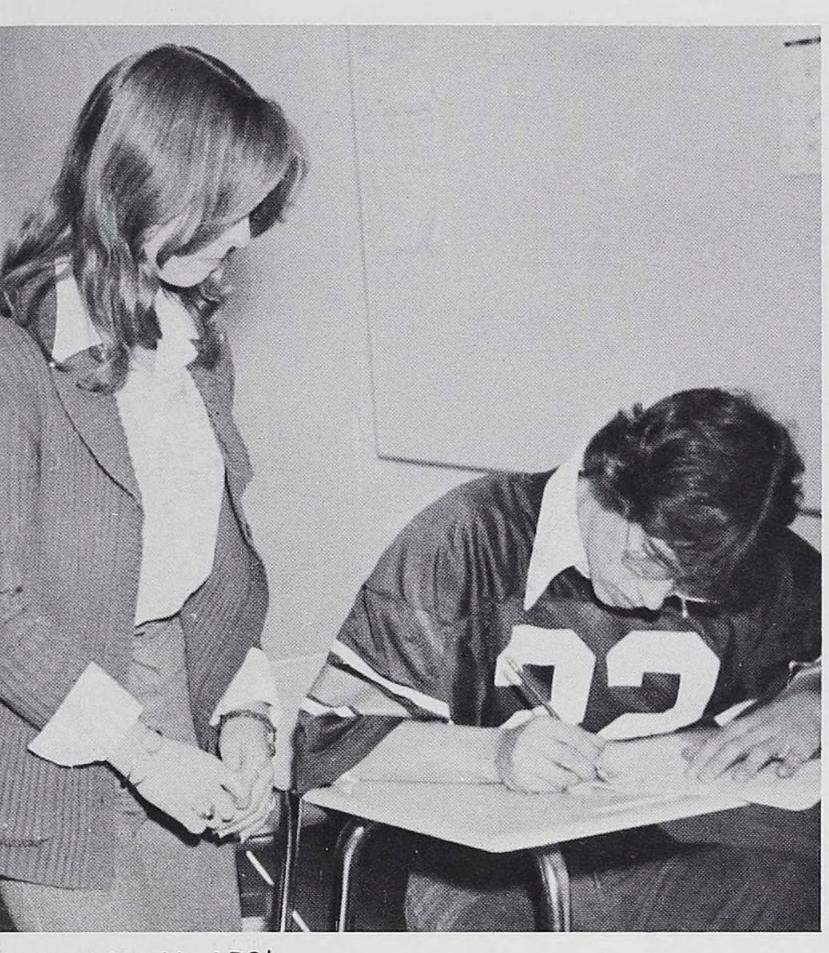


Senior English prepares us for college composition.

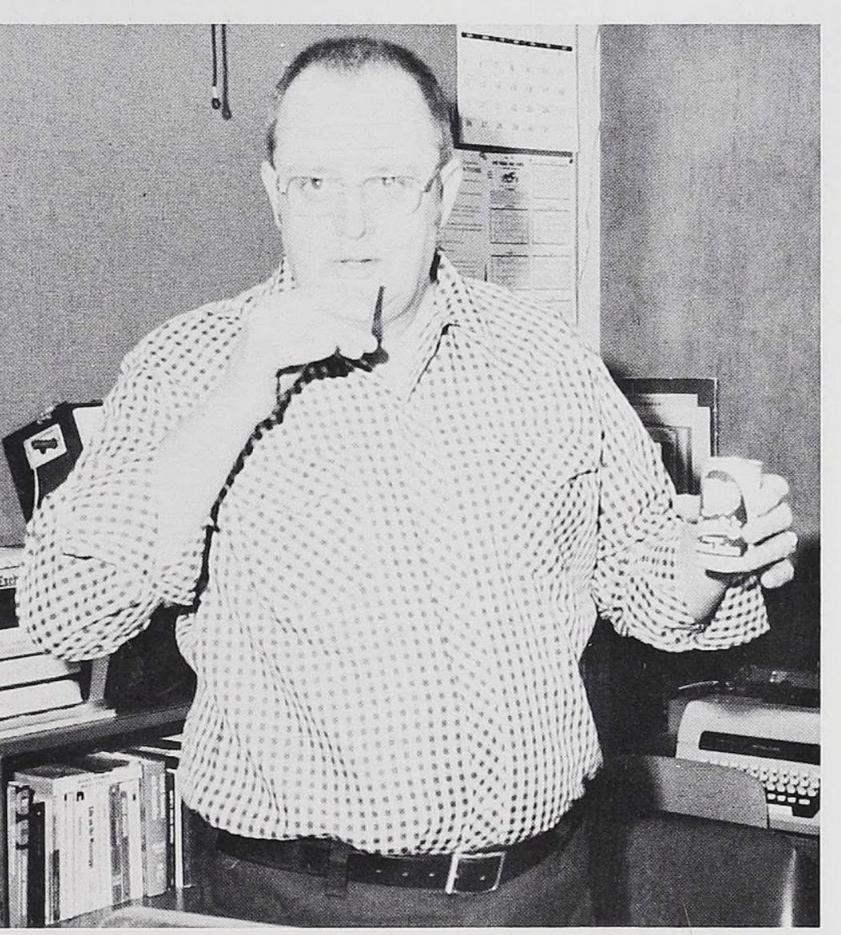


"Dear John-I wonder if this is GRAMATICALLY correct?"

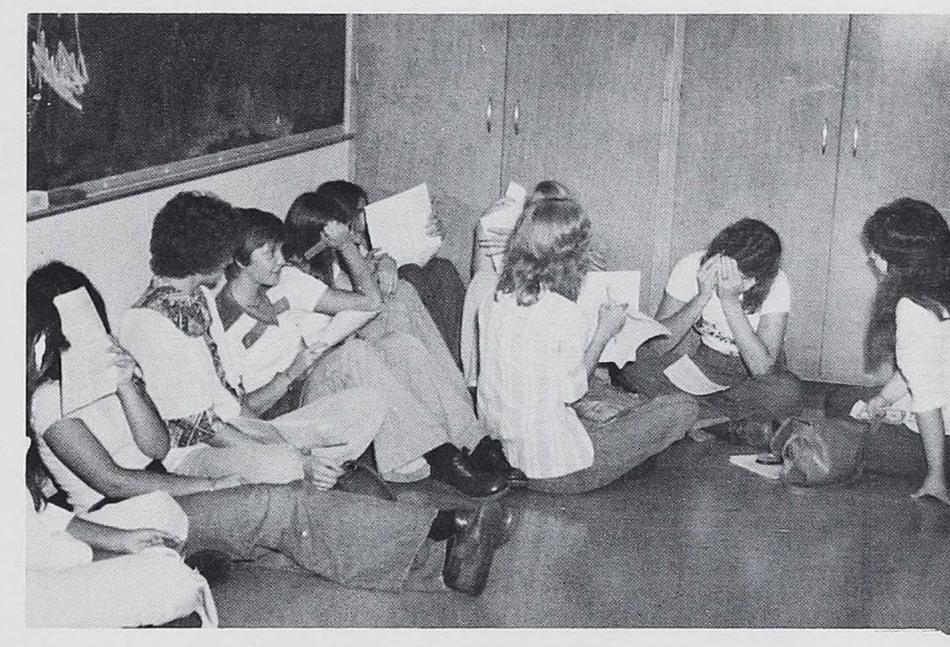




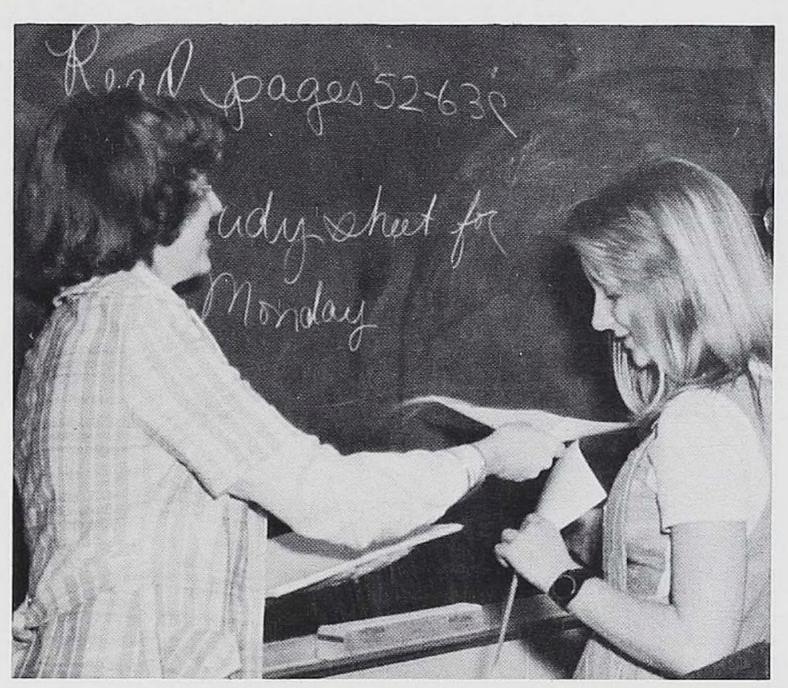
Lenny writes his ABC's.



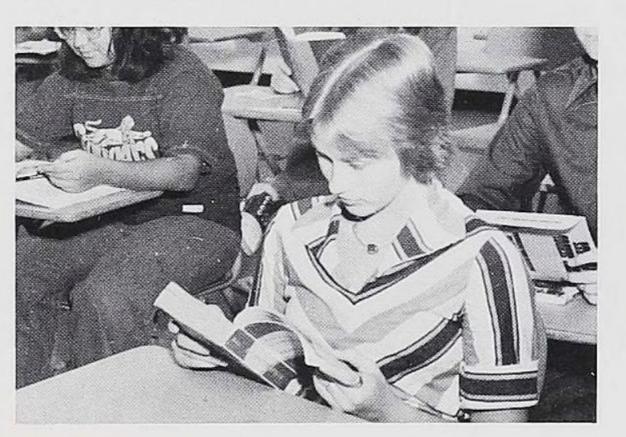
A gourmet samples his sauerkraut juice.



English departments find desks in short supply.

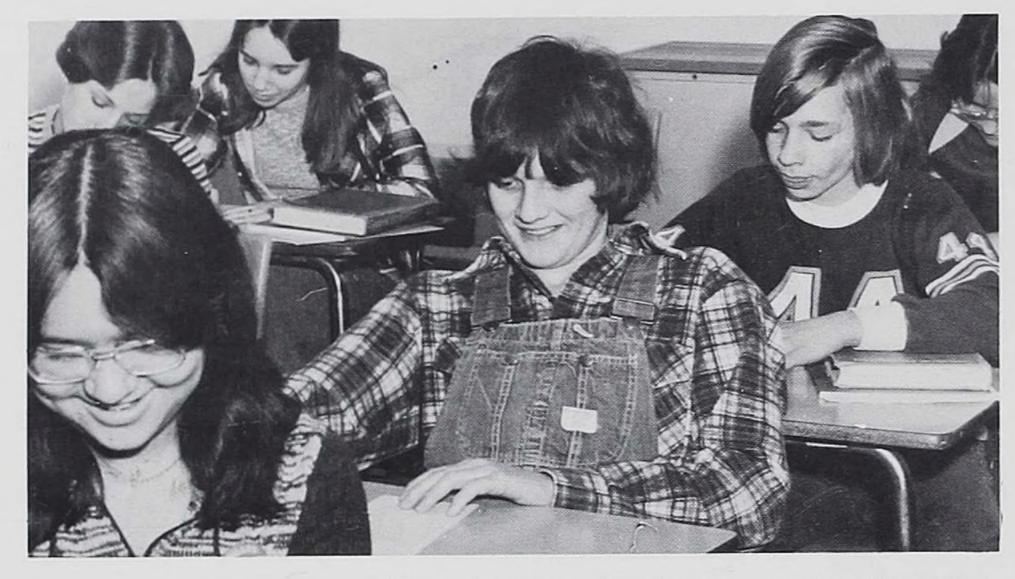


Test time tells all.

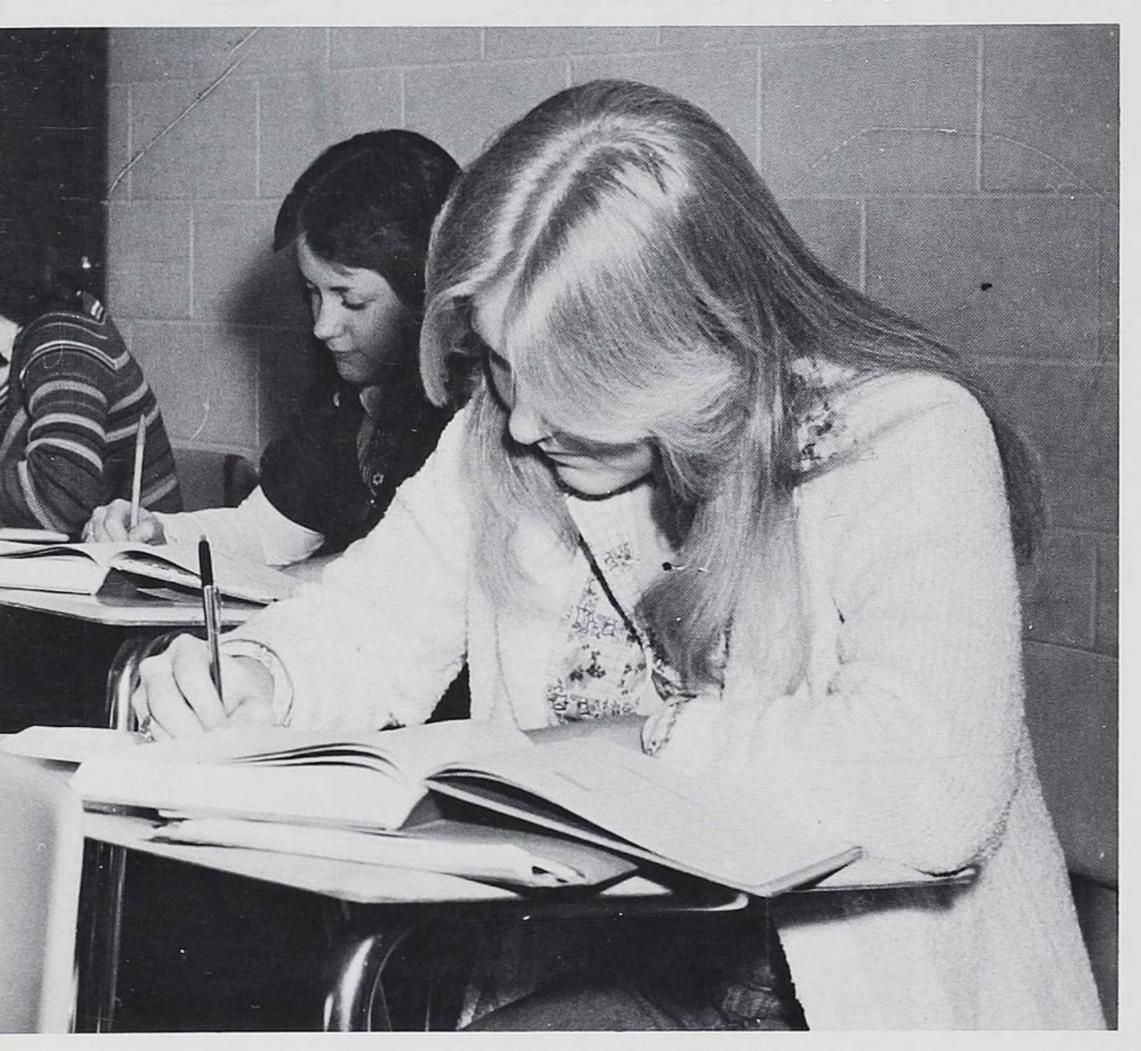


Reading is the basis for many new ideas.

Business: A World Of Its Own . . .



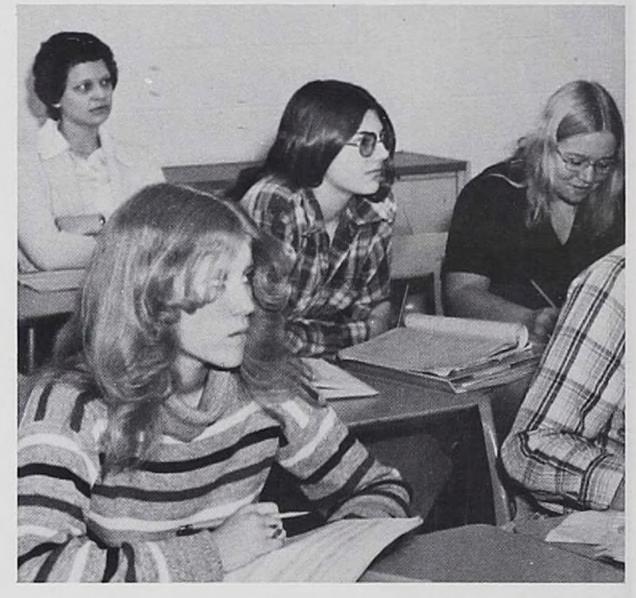
General Business teaches young minds the basics.



With practice, I can write 100 words per minute.



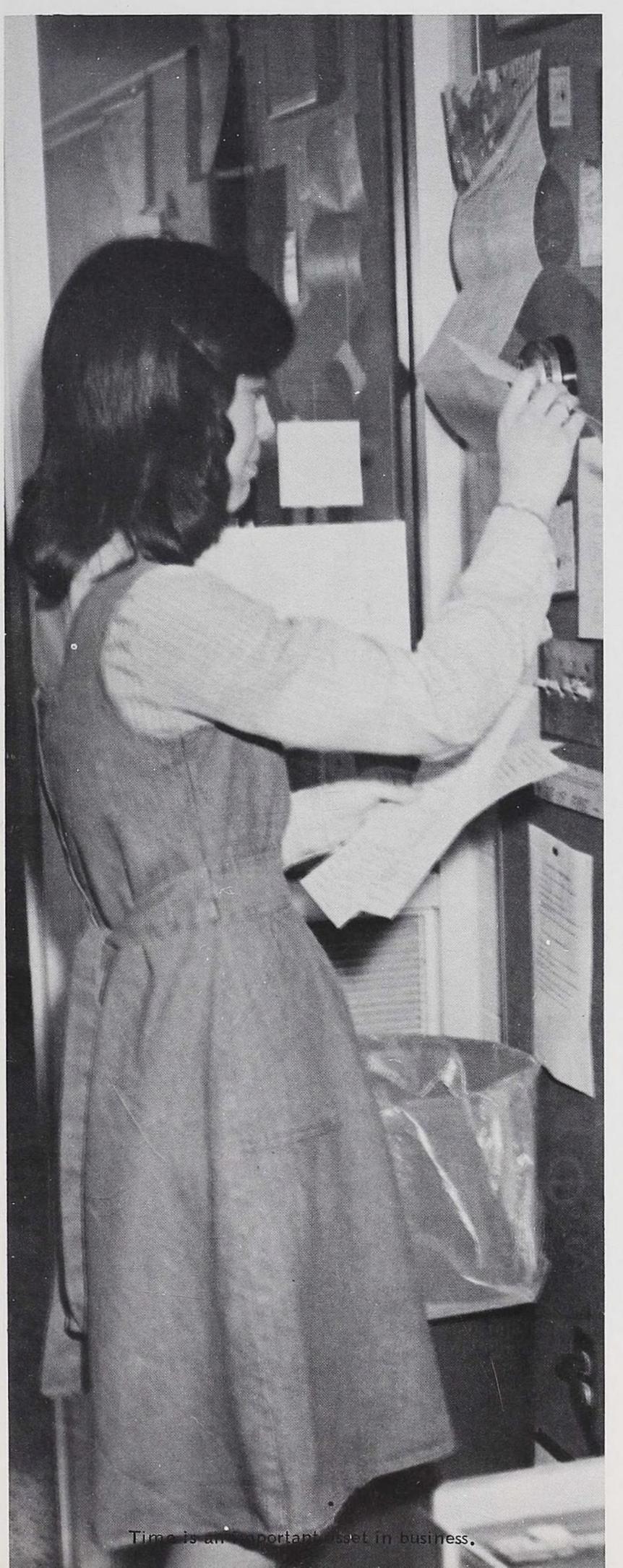
A secretary without her morning coffee.



Accounting can be confusing.



A meeting of the minds.





Typing requires a great deal of concentration.

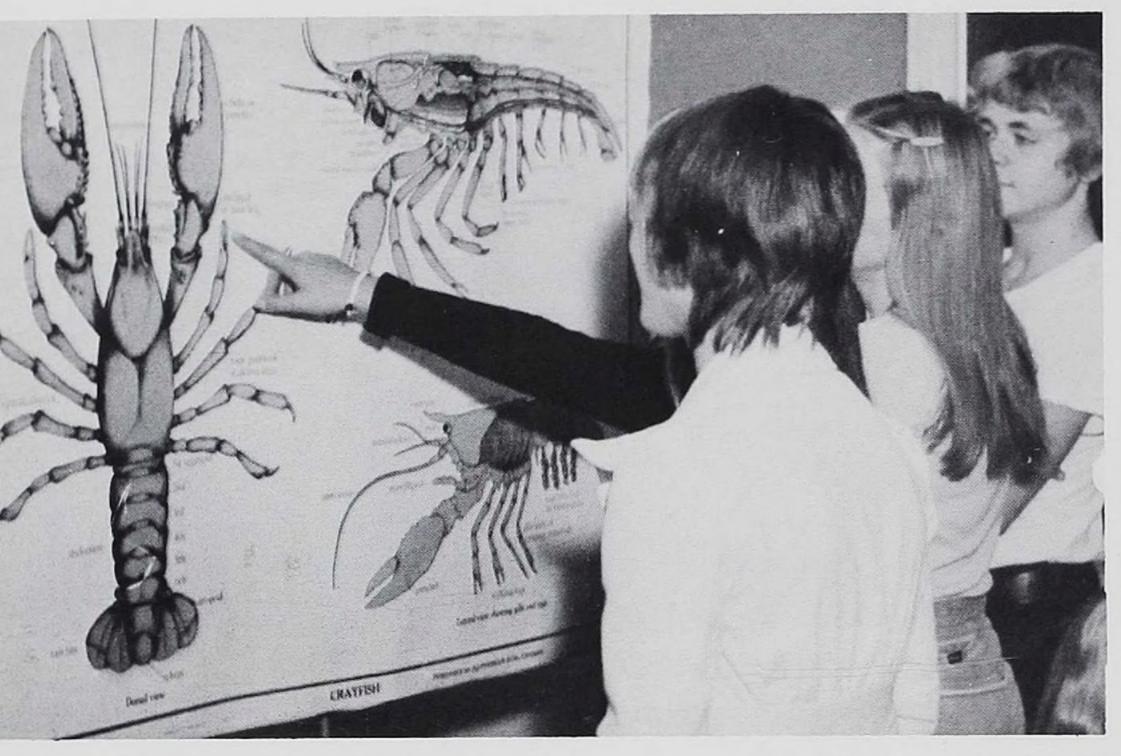


Looking for old stencils is a job onto itself.

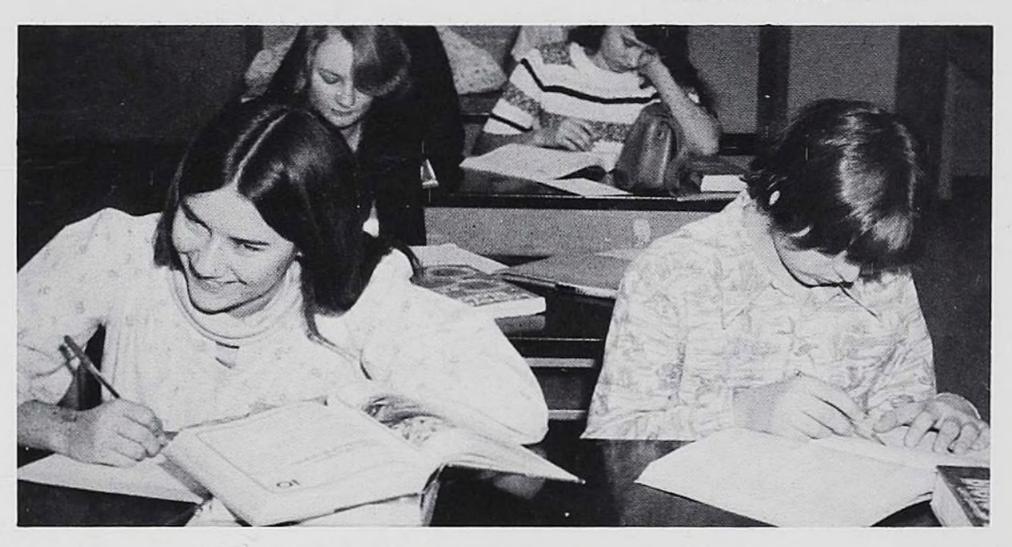
Teaching students about the intricate workings of the business world, explaining to them the difference between the general store and the multi-million dollar corporation. These are just two of the facets of the Business Department. The curriculum of the department begins

The curriculum of the department begins with the basics in business operations, contracts, marketing, and data processing, continues through to skills such as typing and shorthand and culminates in the vocational areas of accounting and Intensive Office Lab.

Science: A Changing



"That's a claw, not a hand."



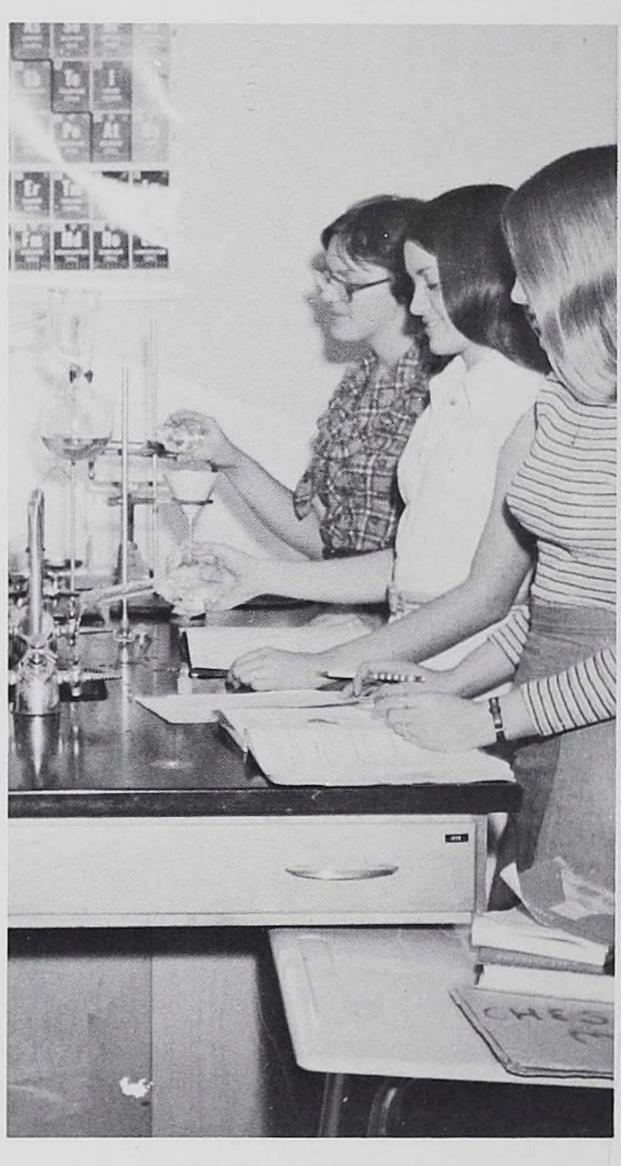
Every good scientist must do his reports and paperwork.

Science is an integral part of our lives. Its presence is all around us. Studying Science is a challenge. From Biology on up to Physics, Science is an ever changing world of ideas. These ideas are reflected in the many innovations and technological advancements that have changed our lives and the world.

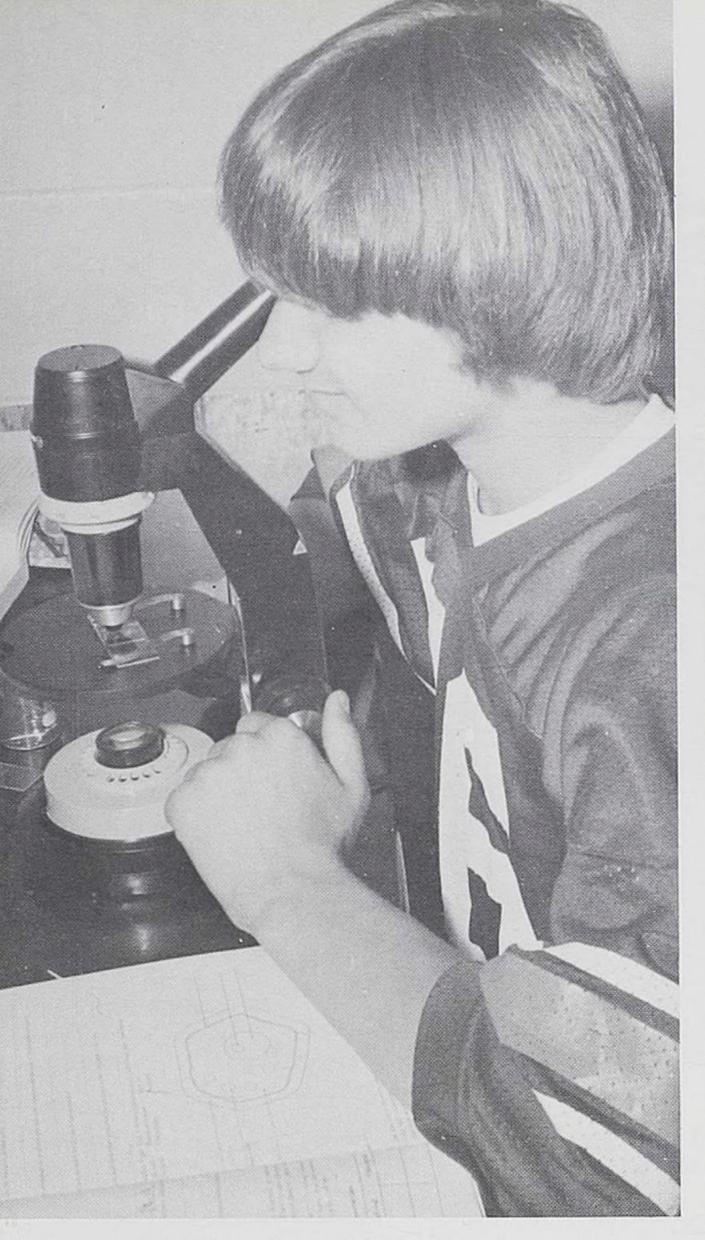
Scientific achievements begin as ideas in young minds, perhaps among those of our own New Prairie students. The Study of science today will have a definite impact on our living tomorrow.



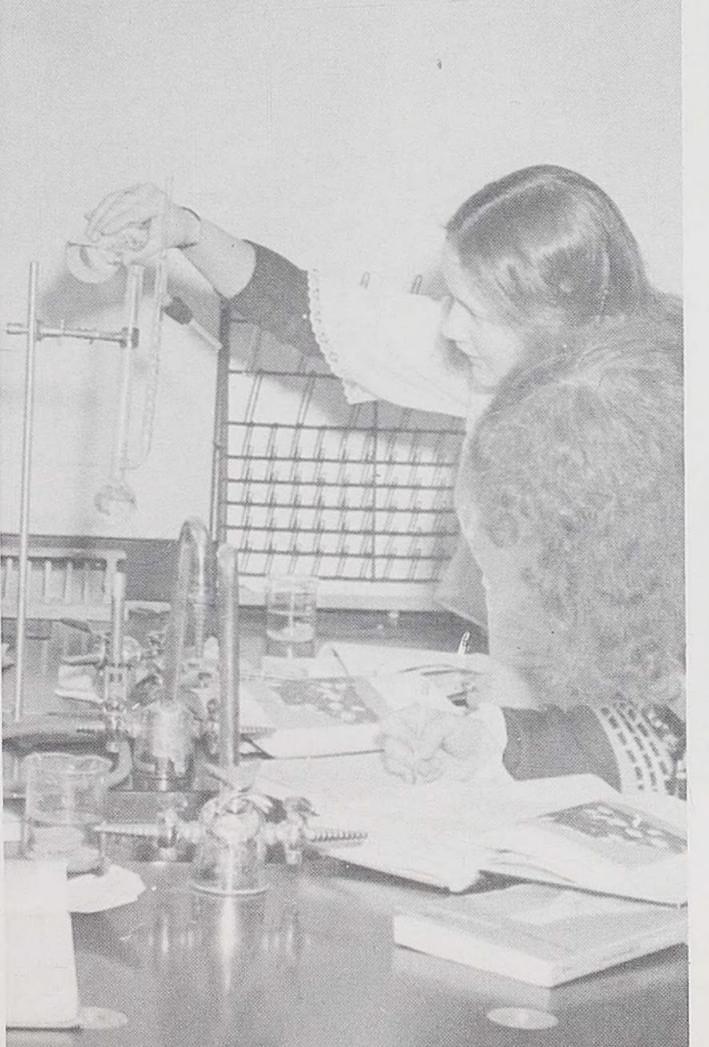
"This is my pet rock, George."

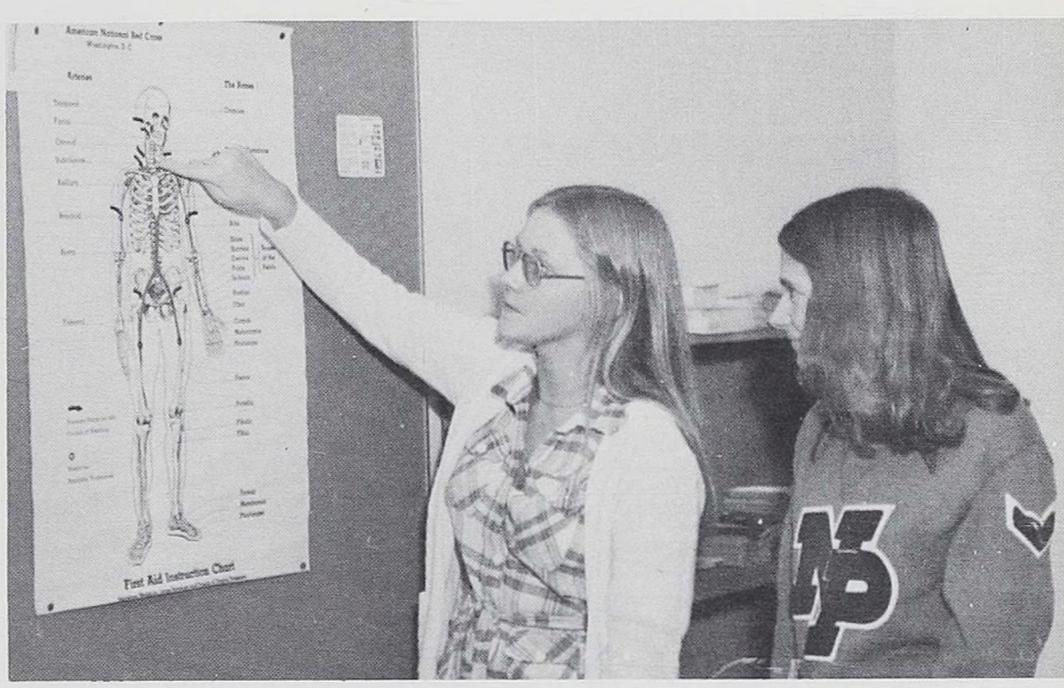


Things have changed since the cauldron.

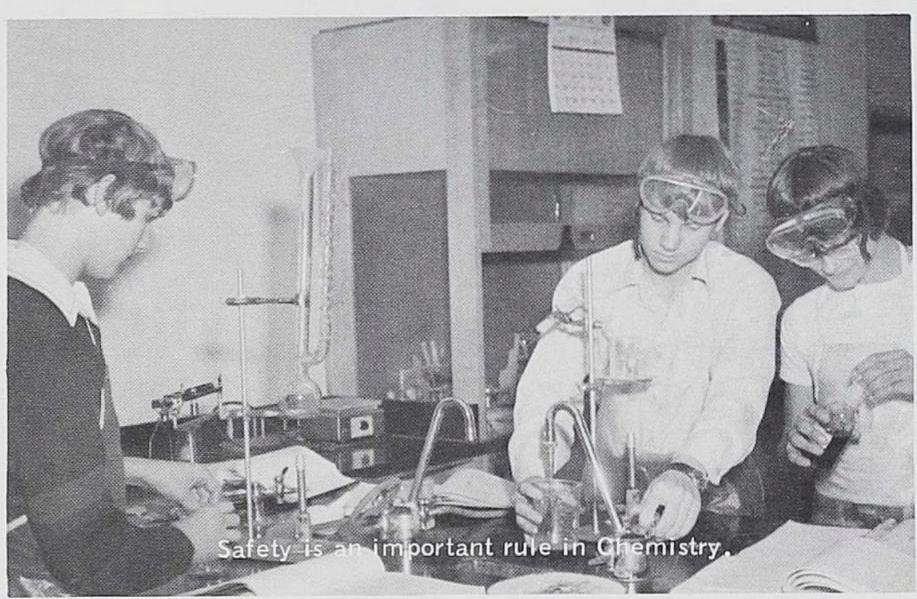


Todd looks into the world of the germ.

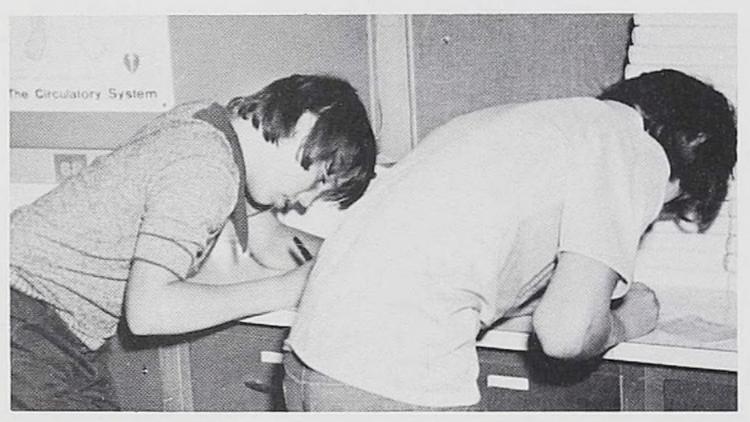




The human body is a very fascinating subject.



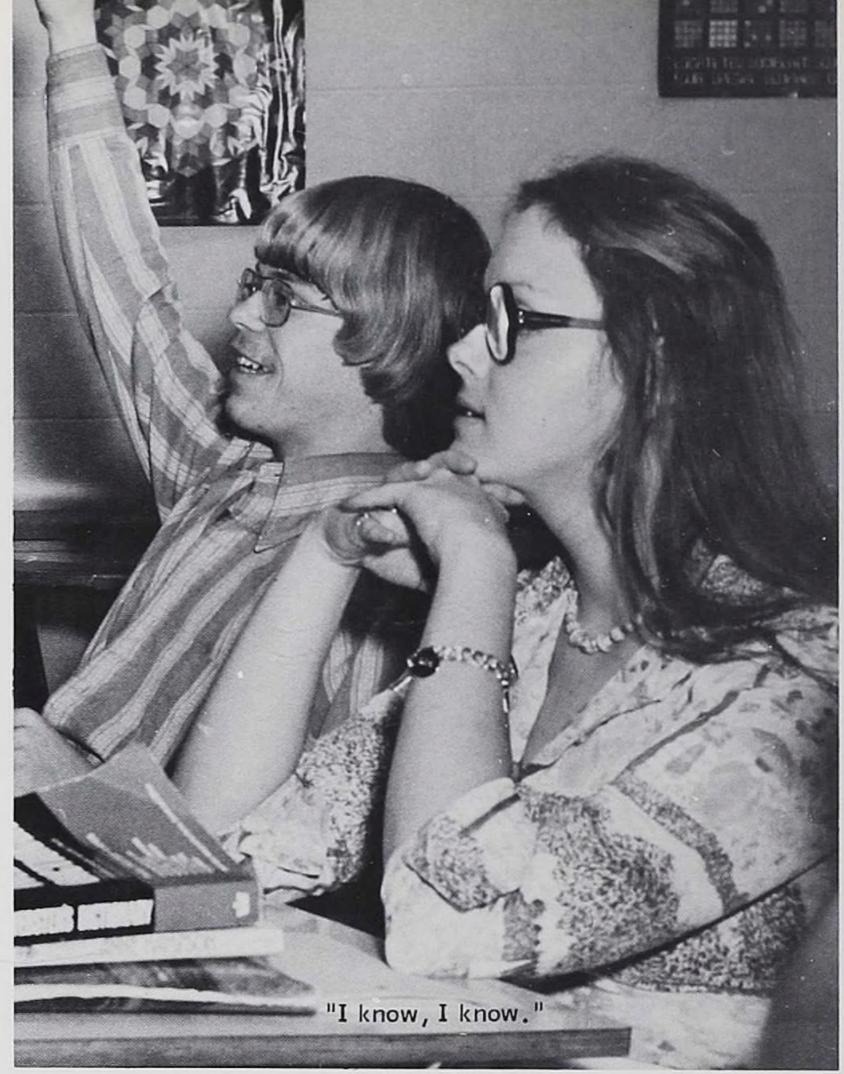
World Of Ideas . . .



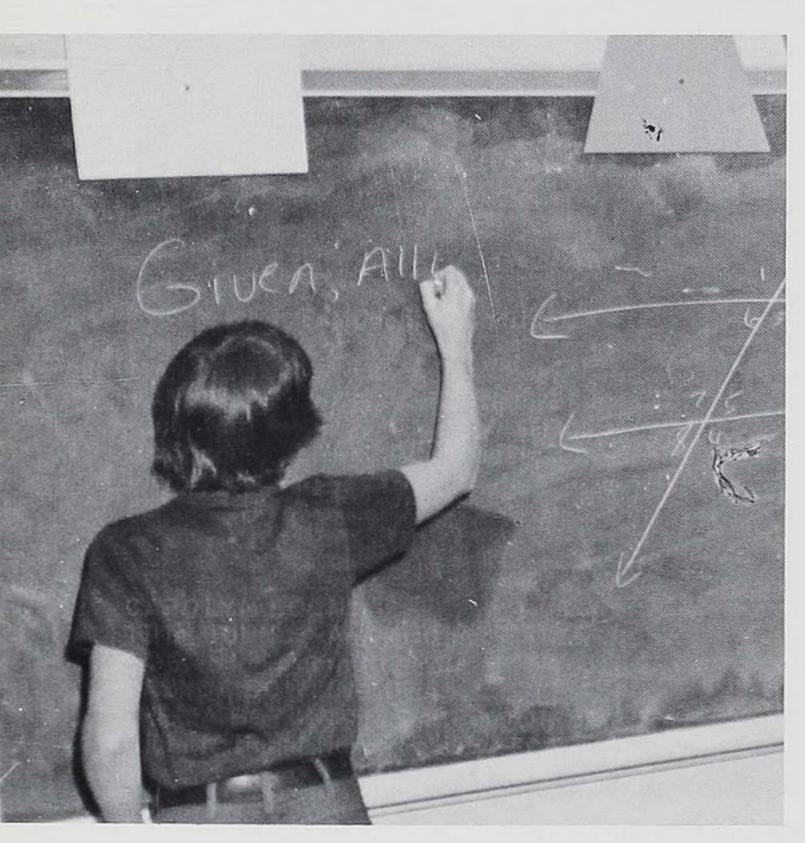
Research can solve age old problems.

Failure to read the directions results in possible explosions.

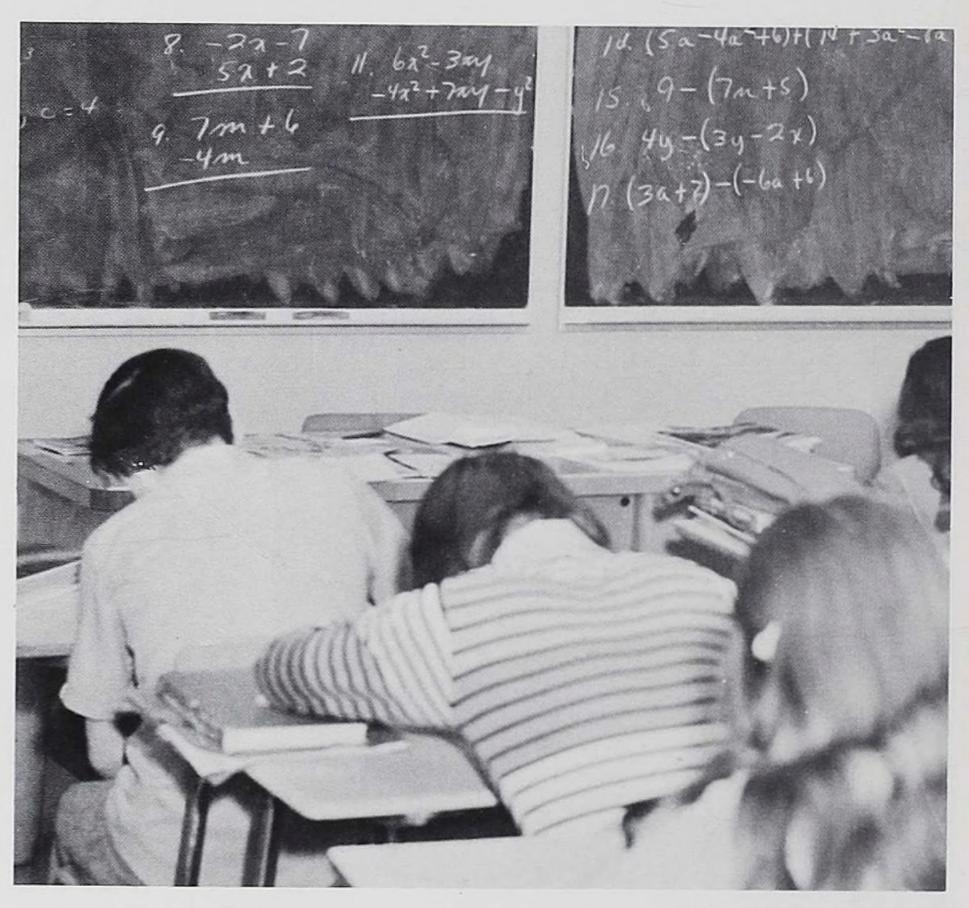




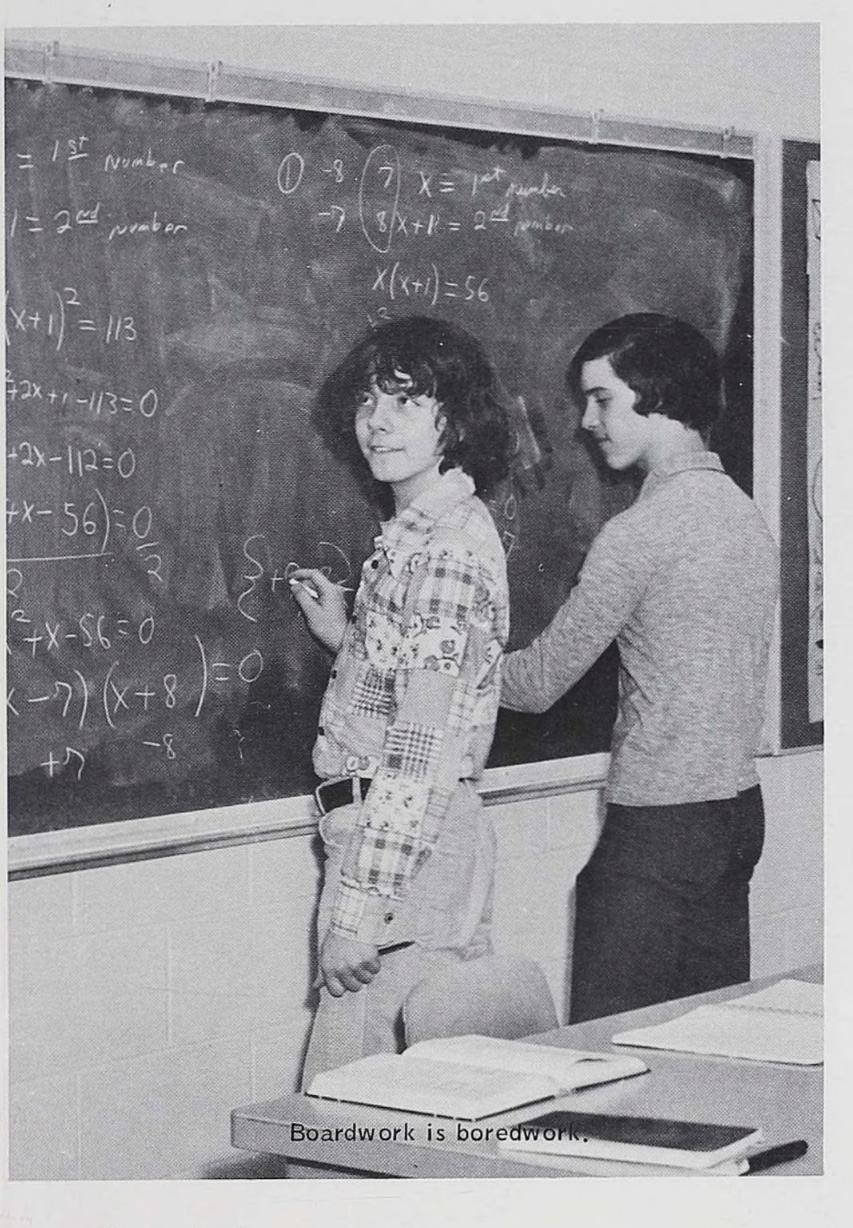
Mathematics . . The Science



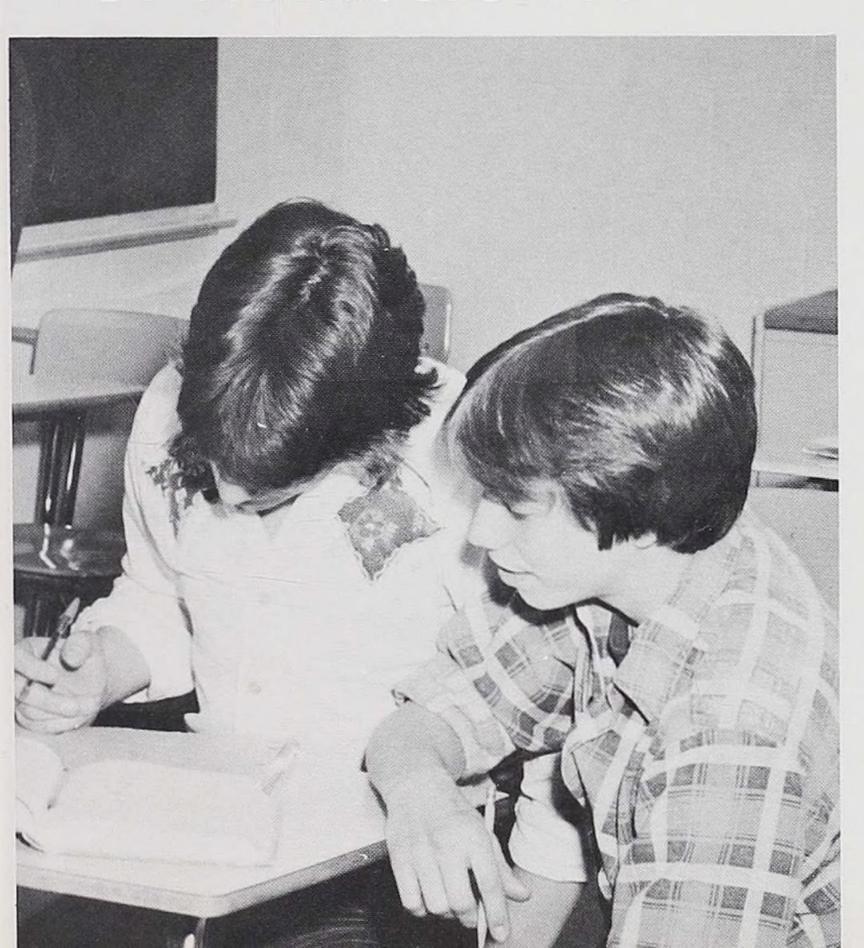
Craig shows what he knows.



Mathtime is worktime.



Of Numbers . . .

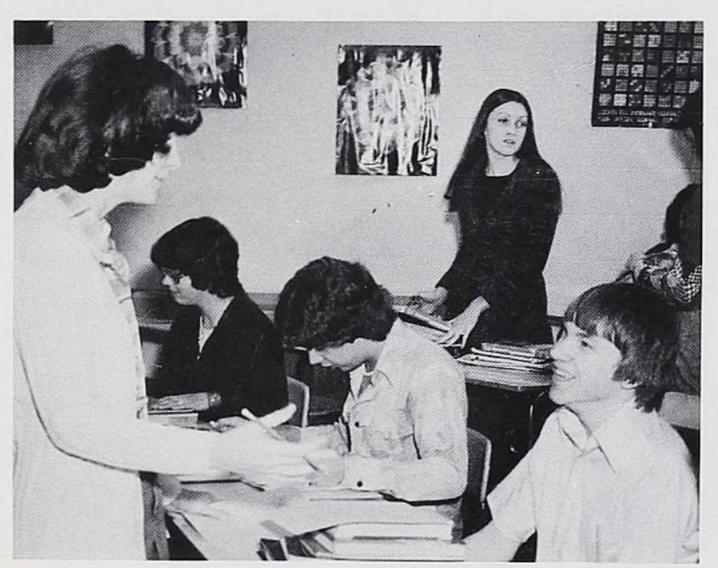


Challenging! Boring! Impossible! Fascinating . . . These are just a few of the many words used to describe mathematics curriculi. Some students find these classes just fun, while others find these courses vital for future survival, since one year is required for graduation.

Mathematics applies to all fields such as Engineering, Pharmacology, Computer Science, and in the everyday practice of Consumerism. Mathematics provides the basic knowledge for living.



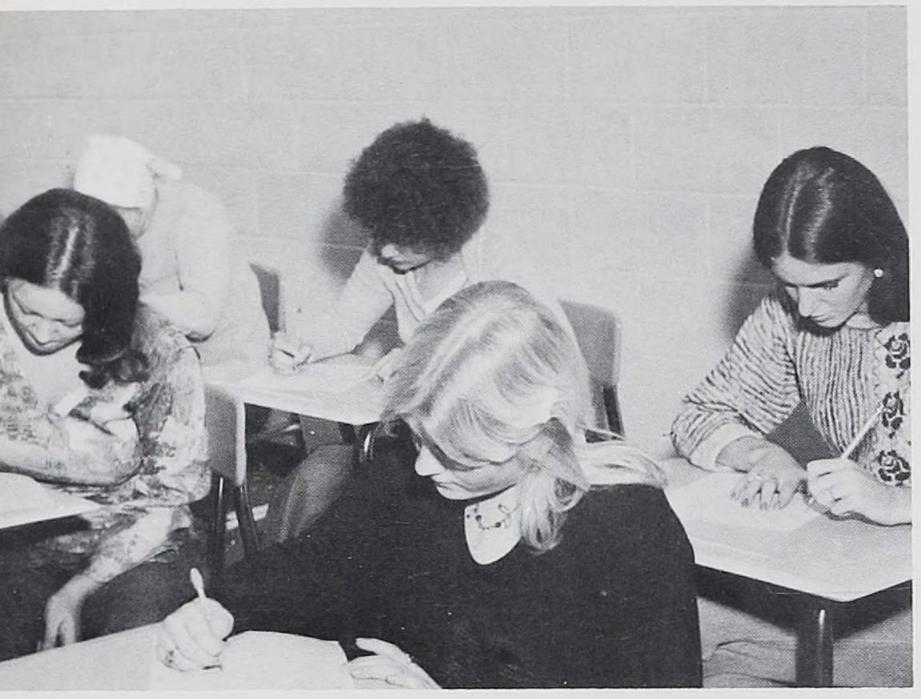
Sharp pencils make for sharp minds.



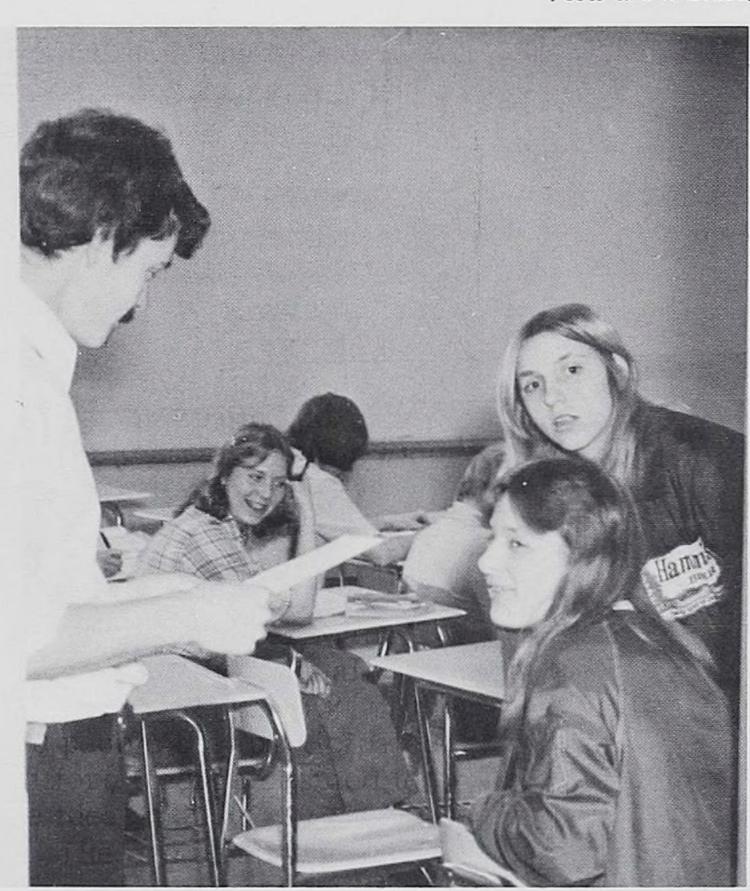
A friend is someone to help.

Arguments make for interesting conversation.

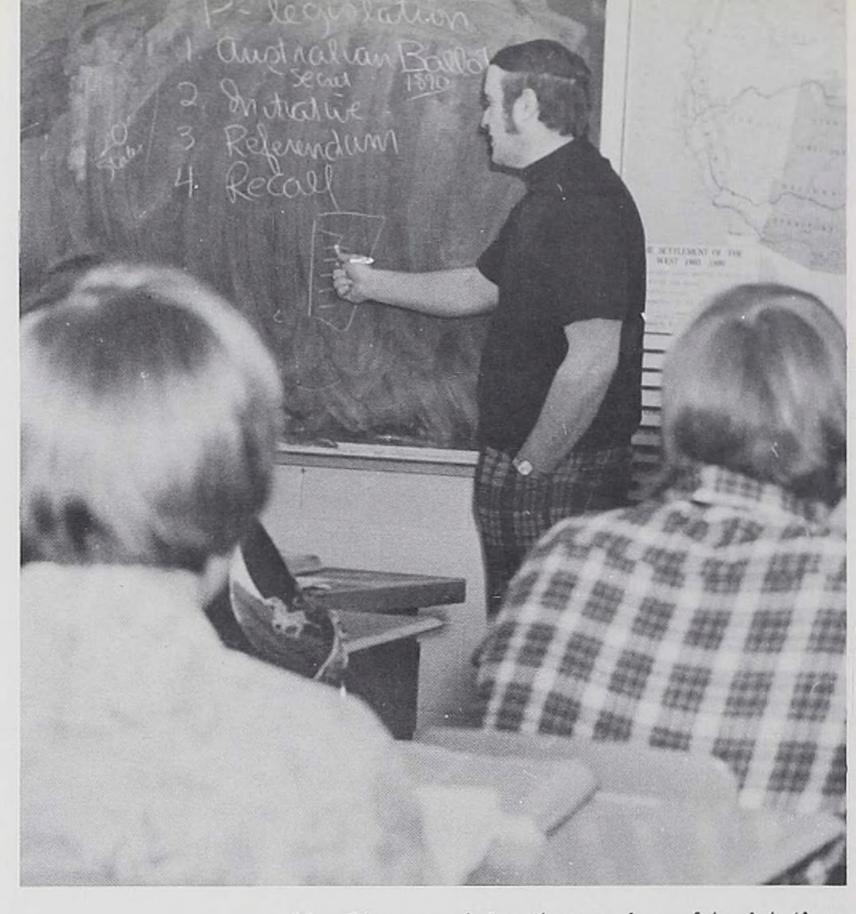
Social Studies: Human Progress



Tests are a blast.



Tardiness is not a step towards progress.



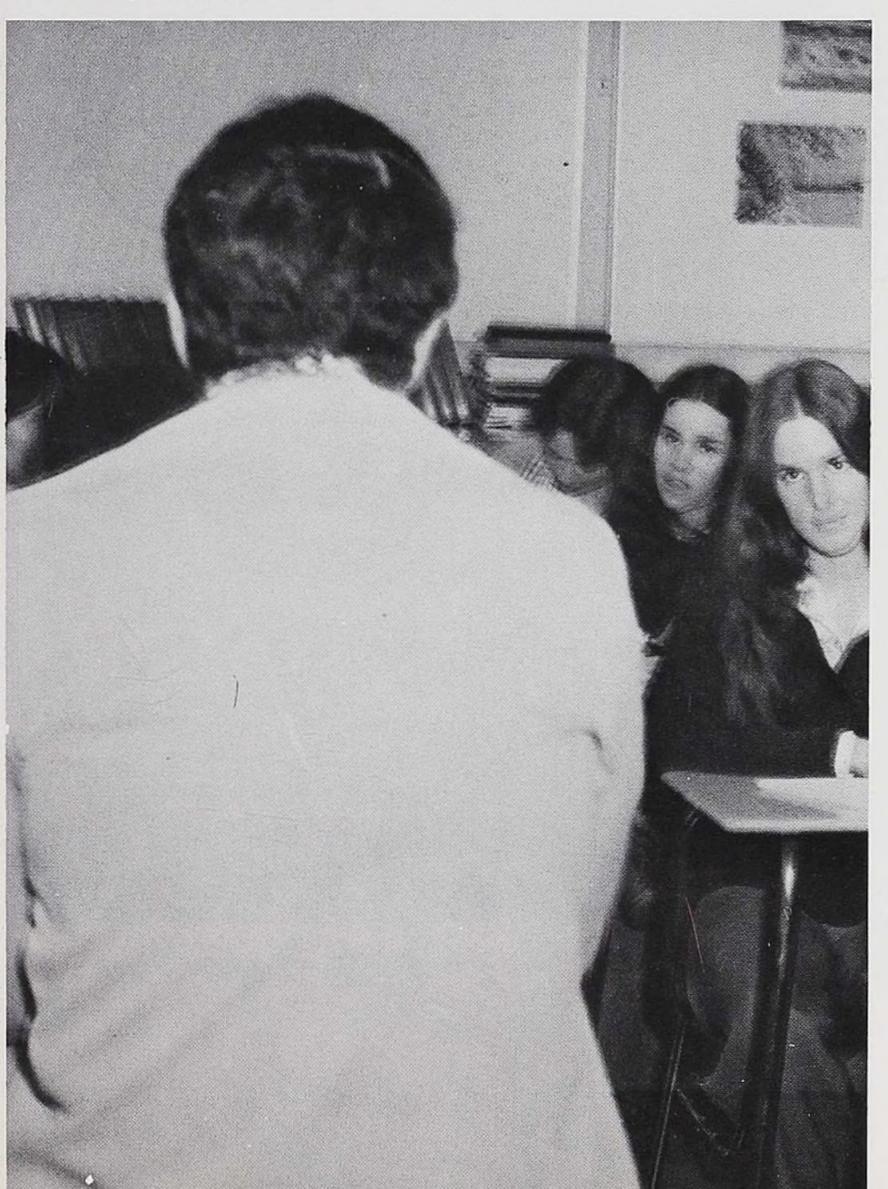
Mr. Olson explains the passing of legislation.

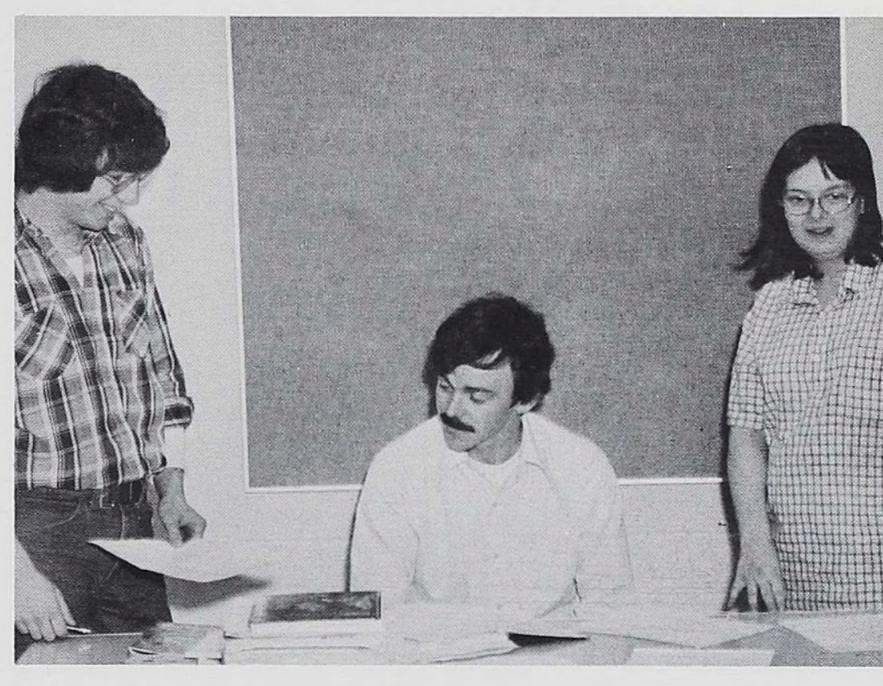


Mr. Haselton's economics class goes stock hunting.



The hard part is over, now remove your finger.



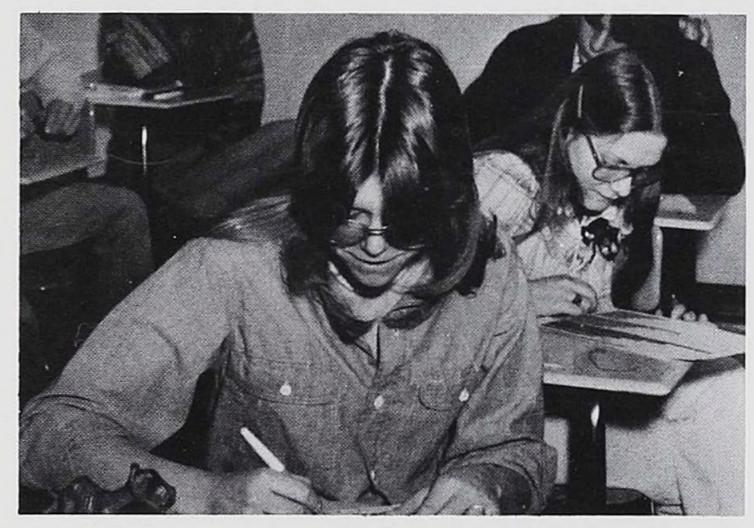


No, dirty jokes are not necessary on essays.

Today's happenings are tomorrow's history lesson. By reflecting upon the history of the world and our nation, we learn the basics of our culture and the events which have led to our present status of governmental activity.

Cause and effect of our economic system are felt today and will be felt in the days to come. We should learn from experience and profit from mistakes.

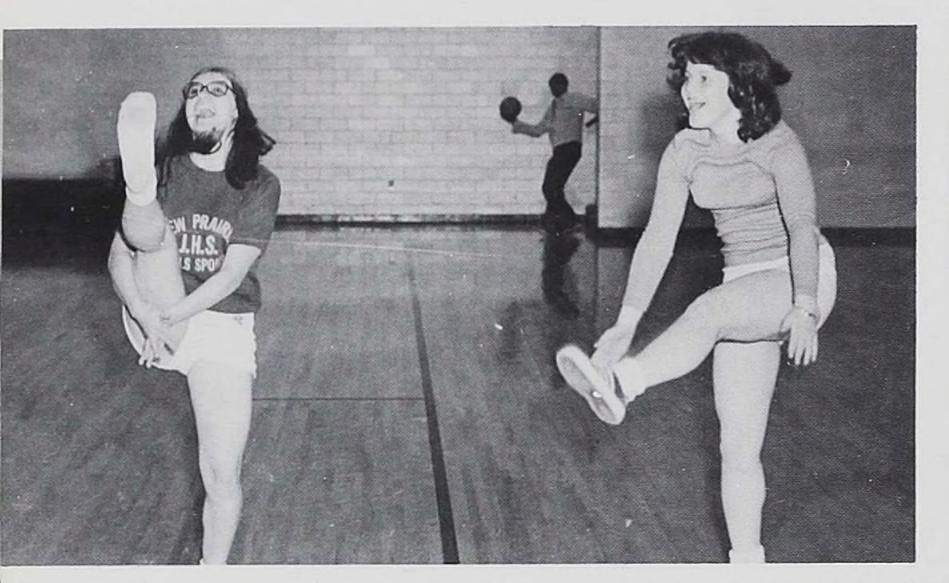
Today's social studies include not only U.S. History but also aspects of Government, economics, psychology sociology and human behavorial patterns and how a person shapes their own world through their own government.



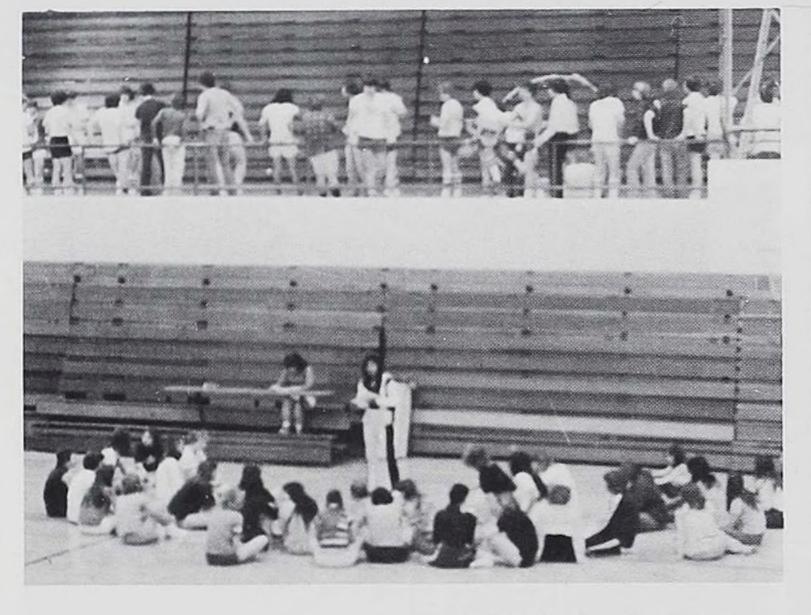
Gail and Robin try out their new crayons.

Ashamed of your beard??

Physical Education Improves Everyone



"I can kick higher than you can."



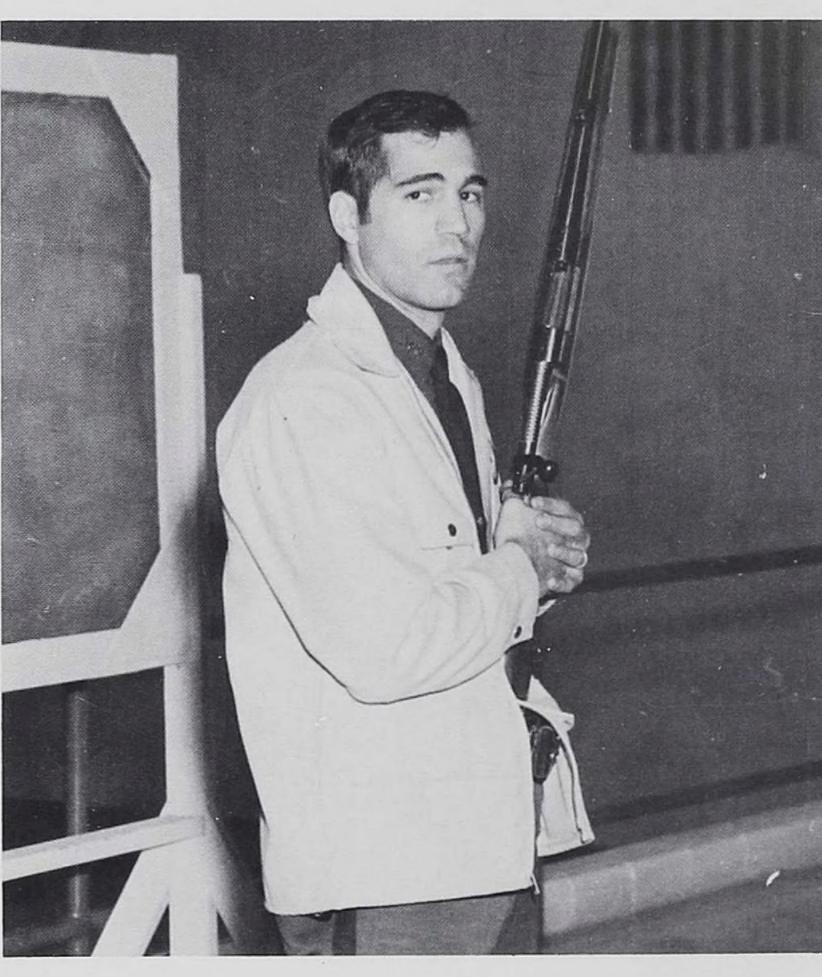
Happiness is sharing the gym.

A healthy mind and a healthy body are the objectives of the Physical Education Department. This is achieved through the many activities and competition found throughout the curriculum.

Unique this year was the introduction of a two week gun safety session in which students learned the proper techniques of handling firearms and other hunting equipment. Instructors were from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

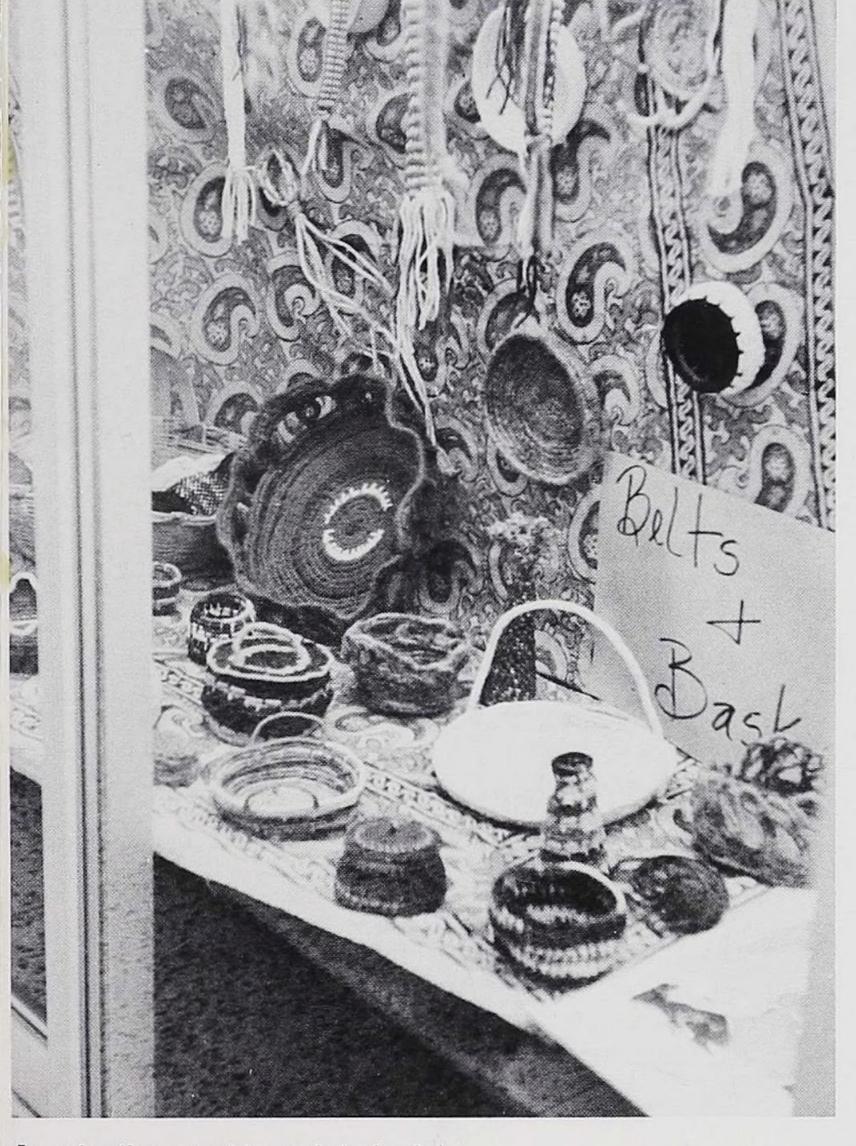


Ejecting a shell can be exciting



Teacher-student relationships are improving

Just like Home Ec--roll, pinch and form.



Imagination provide variety in Art.

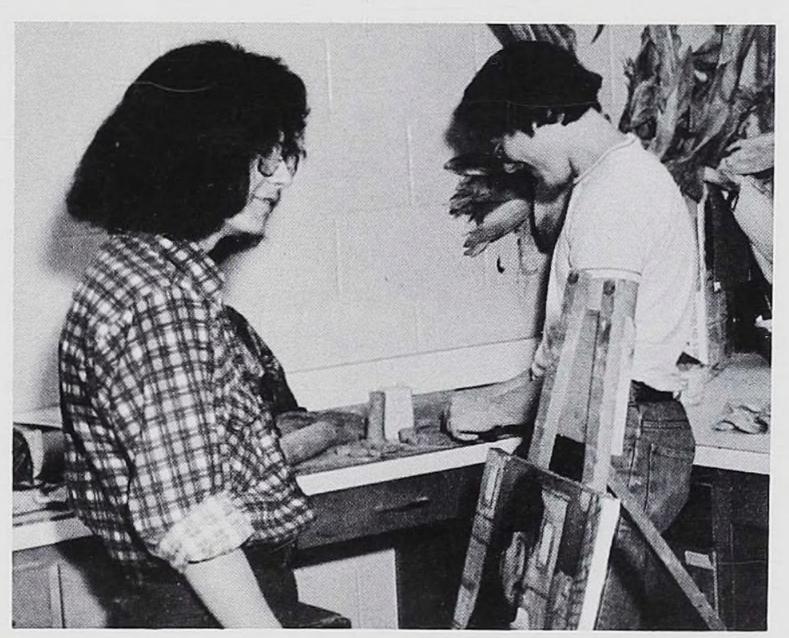
Art Is In The Mind Of The Creator



Shall we start over again!

Art is a fascinating world. Creative ability must be present to weave a wall-hanging, mold a ceramic figurine, to turn an idea into a finished product.

Students begin with an idea just as the great masters, test it, and finally manipulate the inanimate material into an outstanding piece of artistic craftsmanship—a finished masterpiece.



A self portrait can be very informing.

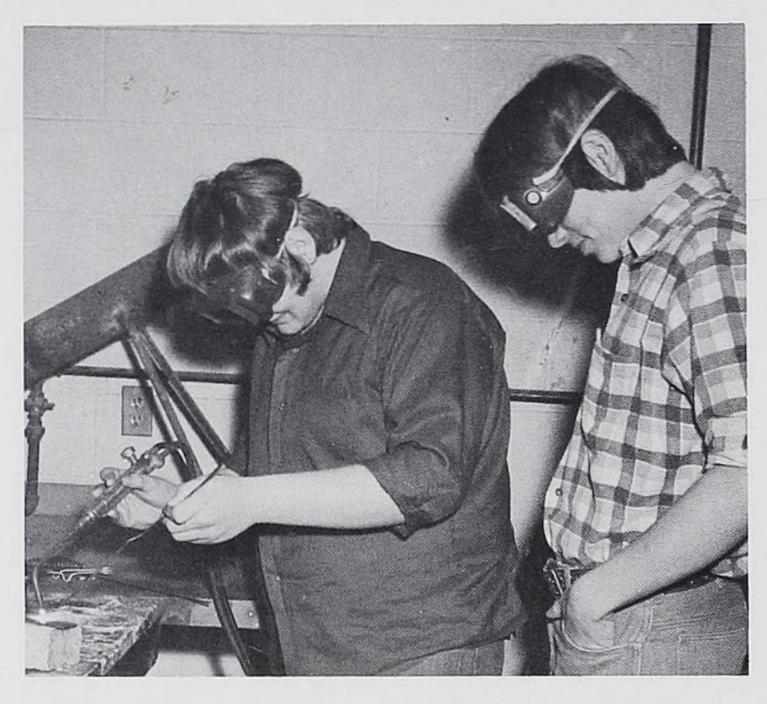
Industrial Arts



"I hope it comes out in one piece."



Using the proper equipment aids construction



Welding assists with modern sculpture.

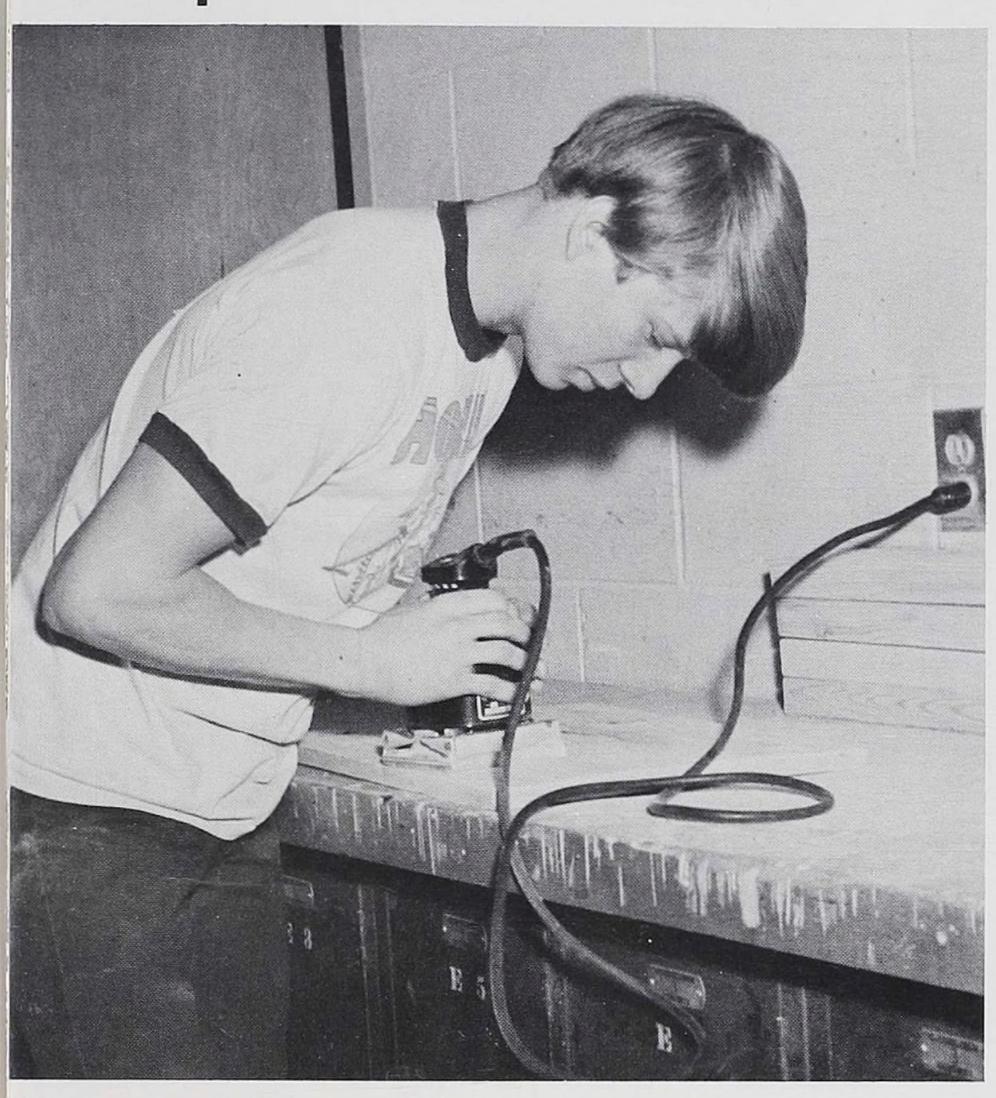
Teaching skills which can be used after graduation is the object of the Industrial Arts Department. This years classes are co educational. More girls are enrolled than ever before.

Students learn the proper handling of the simplest hand tools and complex graphic equipment. This valuable knowledge can be carried to higher levels of training in carpentry, printing, architecture, and metalurgy. Students not only take industrial arts for training, but also for the satisfaction of designing a project, building it, and being able to say, "I built it myself".

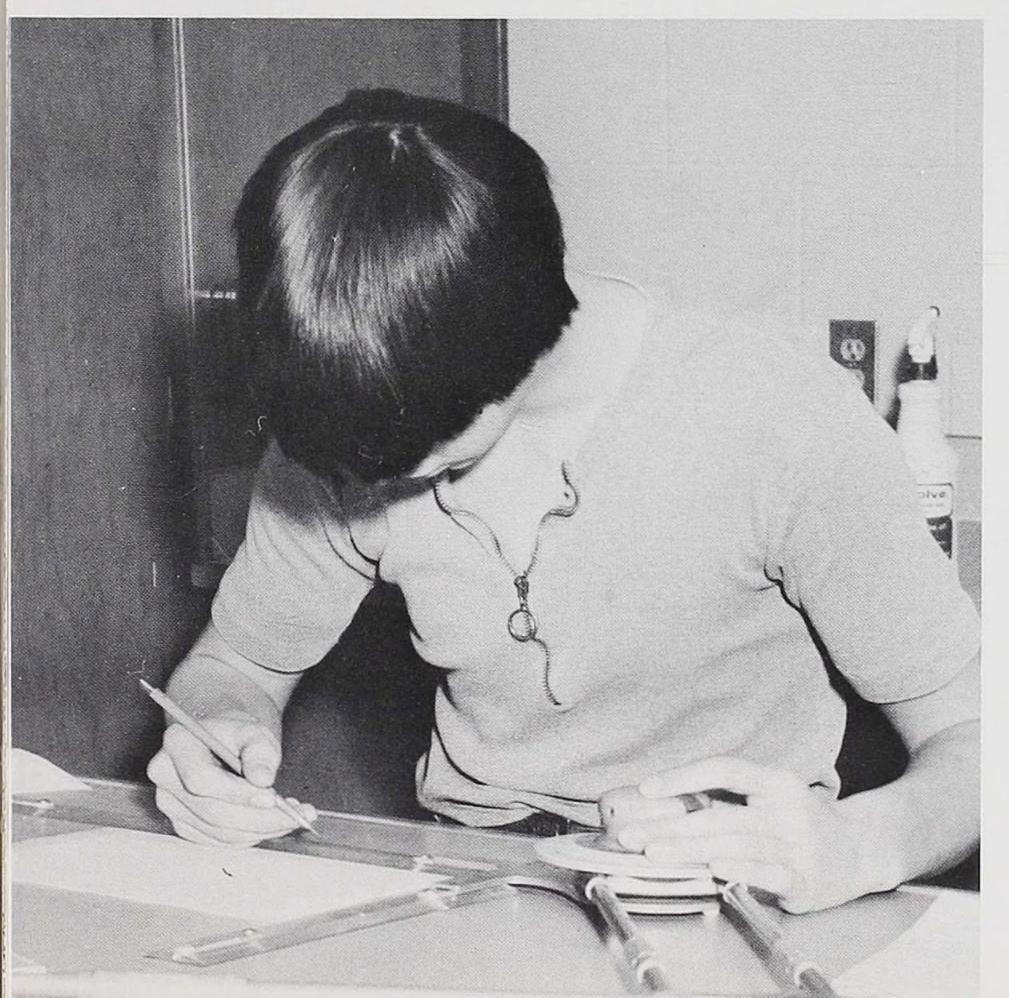


The printing of a newspaper can be hectic

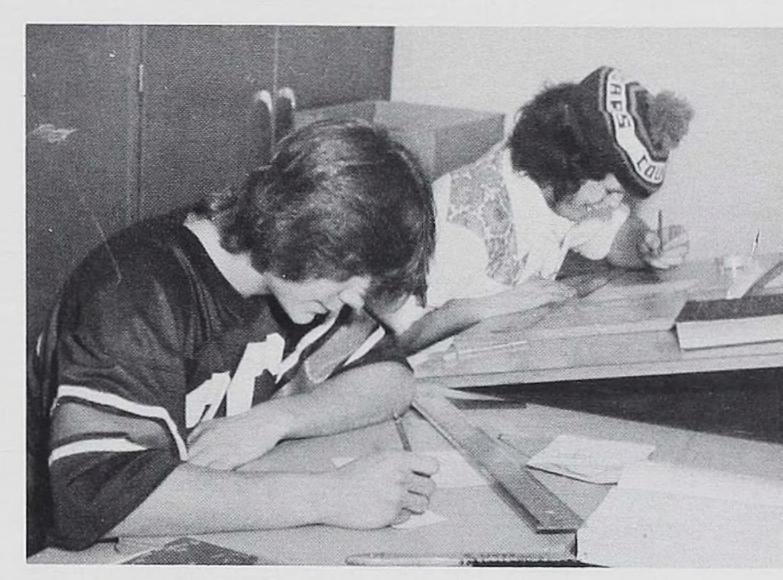
Prepares Students For



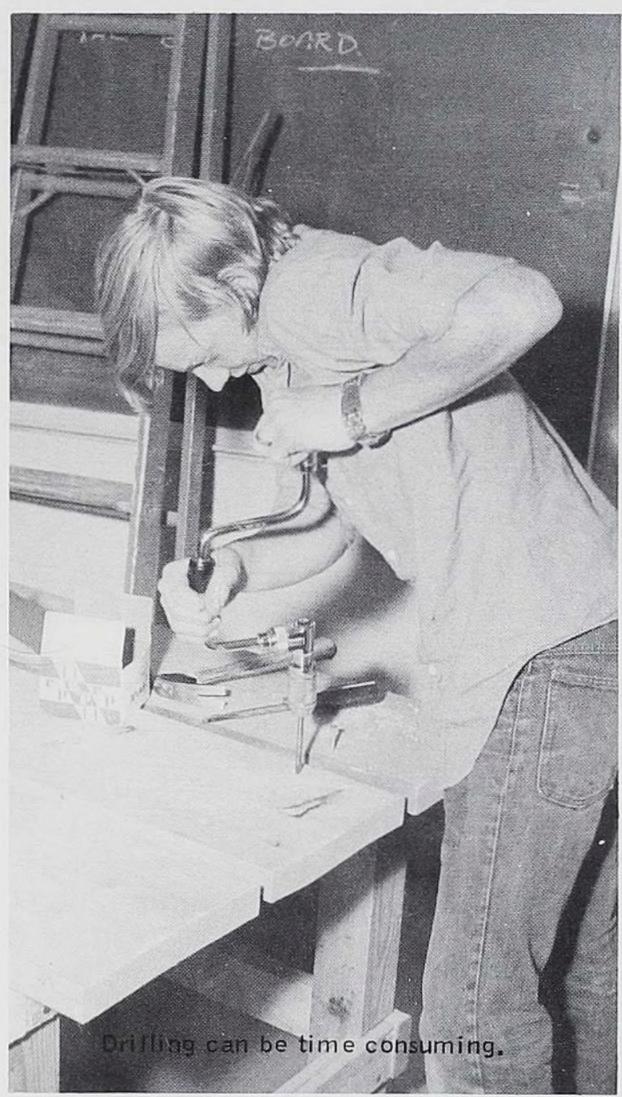
Many hours of sanding goes into the finished product.



The Future . . .



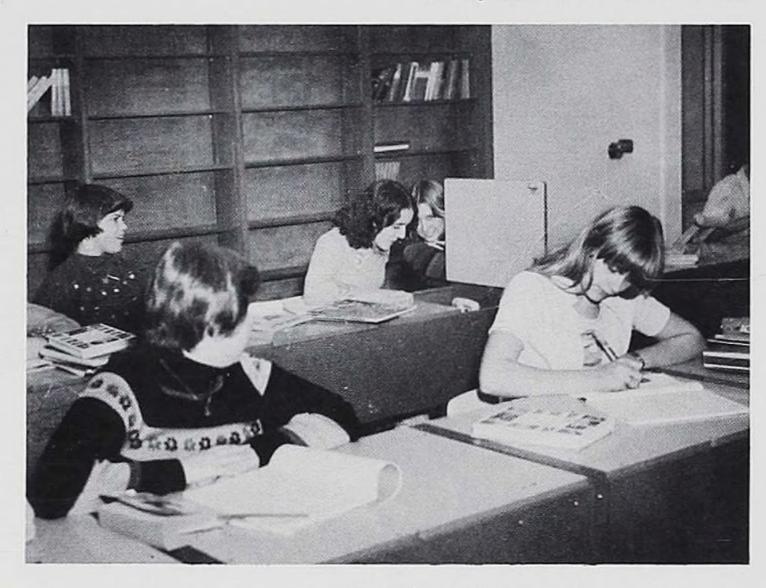
All drawings MUST be exact.



"Do architects start this way?"



Everyone must take notes.



French students quiz each other.

Foreign Language Aids In Studies

Speaking a foreign language can be a great asset after graduation for it can be used in many fields such as social work, foreign travel and business operations.

travel and business operations.

If one works dillegently, students may one day find themselves seated in the United Nations building as an interpeter for a famous king or some foreign diplomat.

Foreign language can also be fun as you fine yourself able to speak a language other than English and thereby able to speak to natives of other lands.

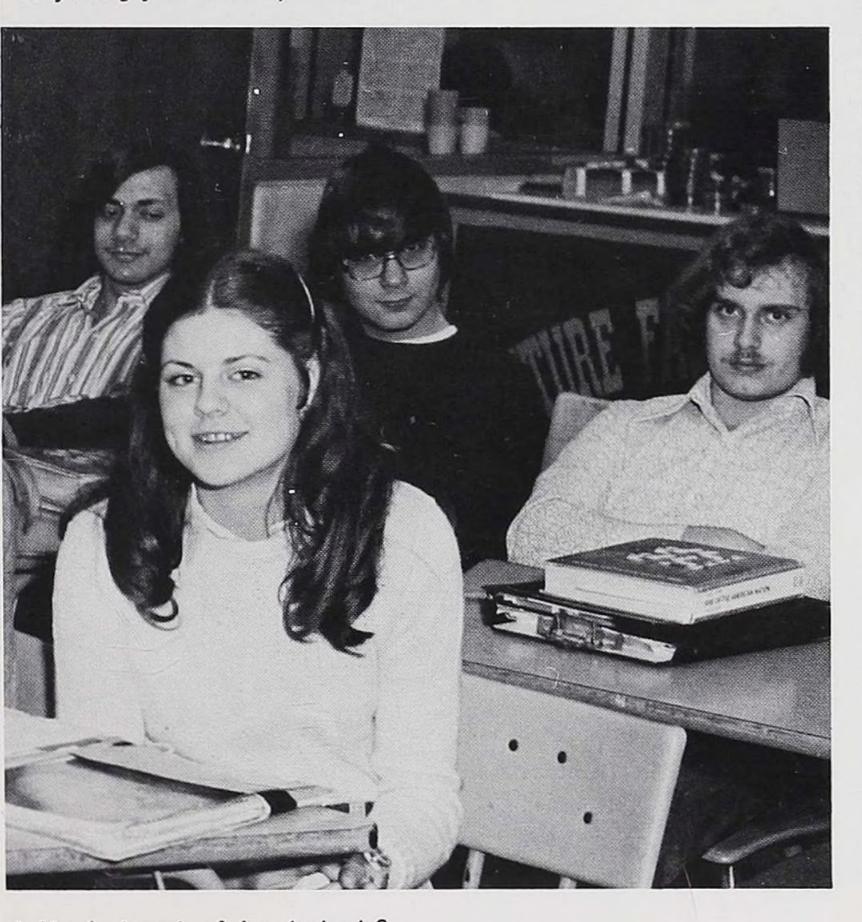


A conversation with the teacher can be most interesting.



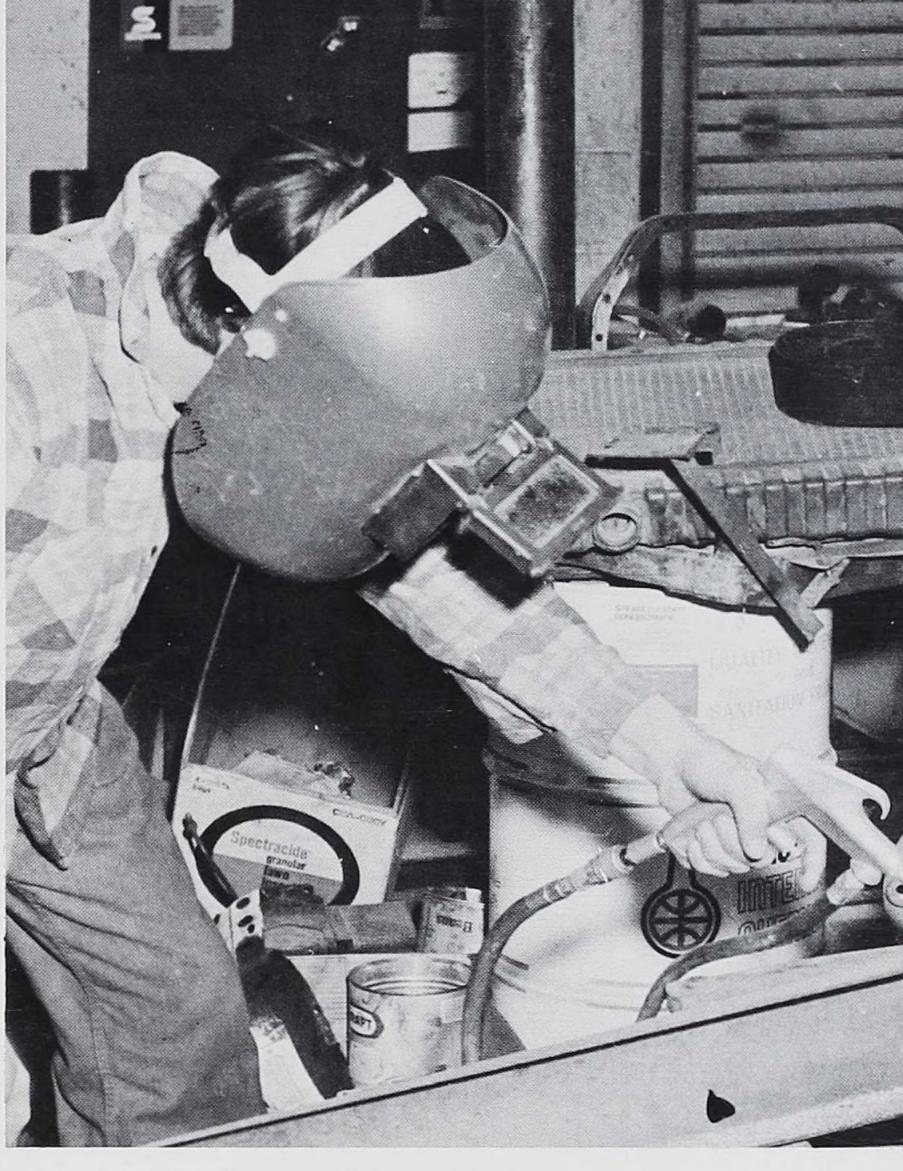
"I feel like a telephone operator."

"Anything you can do, I can do better."



A lively bunch of Ag students?

Agriculture Grows To Future Needs



A student prepares the metal for painting.

Learning now to plan for the future is the goal of the Agriculture Department where students gain knowledge in the field of farm management, seed selection, and machinery repair.

The Agriculture Department has their work plotted out for them, but students learn quickly and they are ready to face the task of feeding this ever expanding world. Other projects during the year were animal selection for better yield and experience in judging and growing.

Home Economics Solves The Problems Of Living . . .



A New Prairie entry in the Pillsbury Bake-off?

"Where's my brown sugar?"

"Have you seen my needle?"
"What can I do to balance my budget?" These are not unusual comments of

students in the Home Economics Department.

Learning to cope with living situations and accepting responsibilities which will be encountered in later years provide realism within the department.

Courses which aid in the life of the student include Child Care, Home Management, Family Living and Bachelor (Singles) Living. Instruction in sewing and in foods also assist the student.



"Which pattern would look best on me?"



"Smile, you're on Candid Camera."

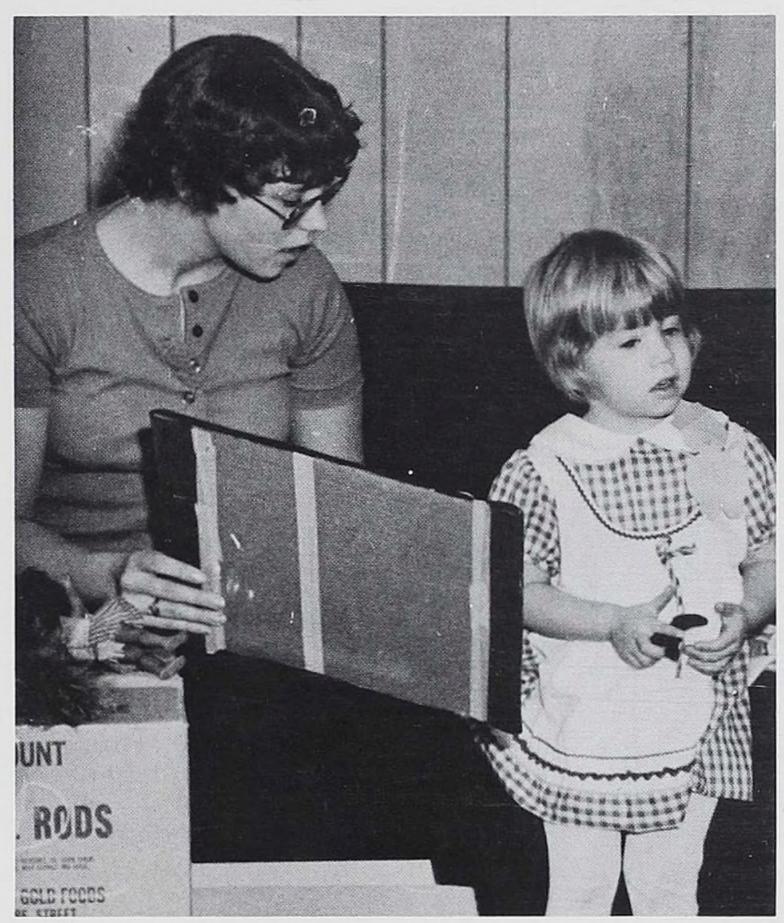


A wedding reception provides a free meal.



This buffet table displays elegant china and entrees.





Talking things over reduces future spats.



Karen Renfro gets ignored by a visitor.

Family living can make dreams a reality.

Concert Band Performs



FLUTES

Heidi Pfeiffer
Gayle Proud
Linda Bozenski
Kendi Cady
Carrie Nowak
Lori Cady
Kim Kaplon
Betty Sullivan
Sue Smith
Ginger Norris
Rachel Harvey
Karen Firebaugh
Linda Heminger

B FLAT CLARINETS

Vicki Wharton
Robin Klute
Sandy Hebner
Zinnia Artist
Karen Wise
Wendy Simon
Pat Burns
Joan Vivirito
Julieann Ford
Sharon Zakrzewski
Charlene Walker
Linda Meyers
Theresa Bolakowski
Sally Cauffman
Cheri Everill

CONCERT BAND

Patti Bolsega Valerie Rempt Chris Roda Debbie Bode Greg Dudeck OBOE

Kathy Kurzhal

BASSOON

Tomme Owens Terri Rice

CONTRA BASS CLARINET

Gaynell Runnells

ALTO CLARINET

Susan Blad

BASS CLARINET

Theresa Tarnow Regina Feikes Jill McQueeney

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Keith Manges Dave Olson Dawn Krueger Darma Keen Ernie Geist Mike Holmquest

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Mike McQueeney Keenis Davis Kent Bozenski Brian Greene

BARITONE SAX OPHONE

Becky Brown Bob Vantine

TRUMPET

Dave Fecher
Dave Earlywine
Kyle Leslie
Kevin Laureys
John Miller
Dewayne Dolph
Renee Simmermeyer
Dale Williams
Ken Rospierski

FRENCH HORN

Sam Bush Mark Paul Patti Wilson Bonnie Rice Matthew Porter Doug Wollert

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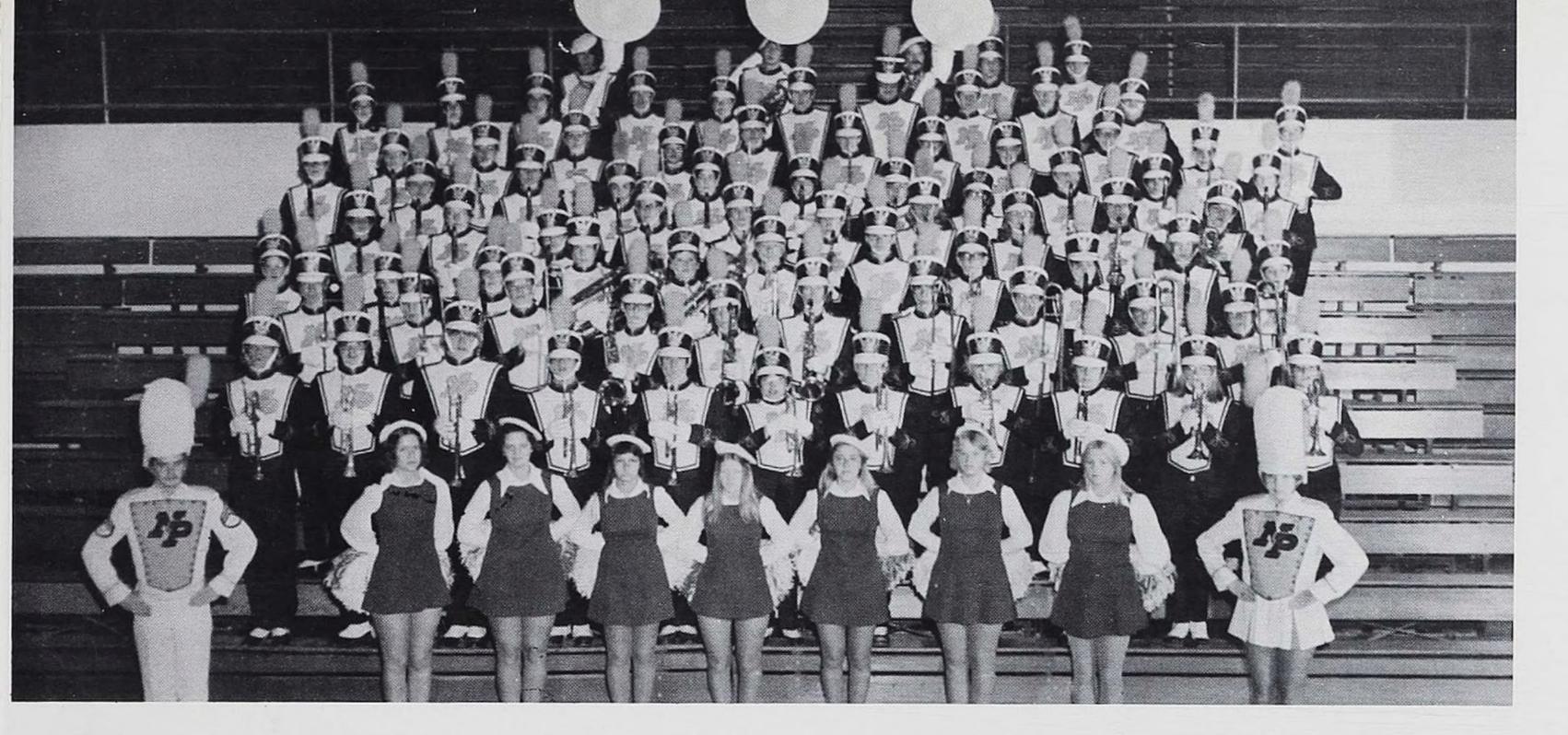
Tim Headley Lance Dudeck Dale Voltz

PUR CUSSION

Scott Williams
Chris Countryman
Gene Eggert
Dave Maxwell
Jim Morehouse
Jim Ford
Chris Thompson

"You are sharp," a common comment prior to concerts of the musical entourage of New Prairie High School. The comments did not refer to the wearing apparel of the student but to the tonal quality of his musical instrument.

Three concerts were held during the year with members playing everything from classical to modern arrangements. In addition to concerts, members also participated in solo and ensemble contests and received medals for their performances.



Marching Band Performs Intricate Routines.

FLUTES

Linda Bozenski
Regina Feikes
Karen Firebaugh
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BELLS

MARCHING BAND

Becky Brown
Pat Burns
Kendi Cady
Lori Cady
Linda Meyers
Sue Morehouse
Gaynell Runnels

Kathy Kurzhal

TRUMPETS

Dwayne Dolph
Dave Earlywine
Dave Fecher
Kevin Laureys
Kyle Leslie
John Miller
Bonnie Rice
Ken Rospierski
Renee Simmermeyer
Dale Williams
Patti Wilson
Doug Wollert

MELLOPHONES

Sam Bush Mark Paul Matthew Porter

TROMBONES

Allen Blad Scott Fredenberg Jerry Hans Bill Jasinski Joe Szynal Gail Woolsey

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Chris Countryman Gene Eggert Jim Ford Dave Maxwell Jim Morehouse Tim Mrozinski Chris Thompson Scott Williams

"Keep in step!" was the common cry heard throughout the practice field as the marching band prepared to march before, during and after football games. This practice prepared them for numerous contests in which they participated. The long hours paid off in the form of medals and trophies. Formal

practice during the day was only a portion of hours of practice as early morning practice made up the other. A common phrase heard among members was, "Who can play at 6 A.M.???" The group also received the honor of playing in the La Porte Fourth of July parade.

Jazz Ensemble Rocks . . .



Tim Headley, Allen Blad, Bill Jasinski, Jerry Hans, Heidi Pfeiffer, Sandy Hebner, Dave Fecher, Mike McQueeney, David Earlywine, Kevin Laureys, Becky Brown, Renee Simmermeyer, Director: Mr. Robert Nelson, Darma Keen, Chris Thompson, Brian Greene, Regina Feikes, Vicki Wharton.



The Attentiveness of some is unbelieveable.

With a whisp of the director's baton, the Jazz Ensemble can play a tune that will rival

any professional group.

Early morning practice was the key to the group's success. A Spring Concert with the Swing Choir brought out the talents of both. The Jazz Ensemble performs to provide listeners with the melodies of the standards as well as the sound of modern rock. The group was under the direction of Mr. Robert Nelson.





Practice makes perfect . . .

Traveling to Aurora High School for a convocation and then a tour of southern Indiana provided an enjoyable experience for the thirty members of the AM Reflections—the Swing Choir.

Providing entertainment for numerous social and civic organizations in the area, gave the members experience for a First Place rating in the State contest and a concert with the Dance Band.

Serving the group as officers were Karen Alm, president; Chris J. Miller, vice-president; Steve Jones, secretary, Karin Klute, treasurer; Mrs. Margaret Dickie sponsor.

A.M. Reflections Goes South



Chris J. Miller, Steve Jones, Kent Bicknese, Angela Baldwin, Dan McGuire, Julie Johns, Craig Swanson, Karen Alm, Tom Clark, Nannette Markley, Greg Baxter, Carol Sellers, Mark Paul, Scott Williams, Mary Adnson, Dave Thompson, Joni Colglazier, Ted Allen, Shari Hutton, Tina Galloway, Lenny Hall, Rob Zigler, Laura Bealor, Rich Shail, Nancy Johnson, Gregg Zigler, Karin Klute, A.M. Reflections is directed by Mrs. Margaret Dickie.

Sing A Song Of Sixpence

Students who have shown outstanding ability are selected to seing in the A-Capella Choir. These young singers are chosen from the members of the Concert and Girl's Allegro Choirs.

Choir members are chosen for their musical skill and creativity. Membership in the A-Capella Choir provide the nucleous of the musical cast.



Seriousness and levity are displayed by members.



SOPRANOS

Sandy Clark Joni Colglazier Amy Fritzen Tina Galloway Donita Greene Regina Harvey Sherri Hutton Kathy Johnson Julie Johns Ceila Jones Lisa Jones Karin Klute Lori Kuta Lisa Main Nanette Markley Linda Meyers Chris Miller Lisa Mossman Carla Nickerson Gayle Parrett Brenda Robinson Vicki Rudecki Leanne Schmitt

A Capella Choir

Gail Tarnow Jan Truex Felicia Sabo Vicky Wharton

TENORS

Ted Allen
Greg Baxter
Dale Beck
Kent Bicknese
David Codman
Deb Doane
Jamie Fowler
Lenny Hall
John Miller
Mike Rist
Todd Sobecki
Craig Swanson
Greg Tarnow
Becky Warrington

Chuck Wojciehowski Greg Zigler Lynn Schwenk Sue Sebasty Karol Sellers Brenda Truex Roberta Zolman

ALTOS

Karen Alm
Vicky Alvarado
Mary Adnson
Angela Baldwin
Brenda Barnhart
Laura Bealor
Pat Burns
Kathy Eggert
Valri Harber
Liz Hauge
Nancy Johnson

Jenny Kane Robin Klute Paula Lynch Kathy McPhereson

BASSES

Craig Banholzer Jeff Beck Alan Bartmess Don Bryant Tom Clark Bob Garoutte Joel Harber Steve Jones Greg Kent Darrell Kettring Andy Mills Dan McGuire Jim Neff Mark Paul Rich Shail Dave Thompson Rob Zigler

Concert Choir



FIRST ROW: Debbie Bode, Kathy Houser, Mary Martinez, Jay Hochstetler, Tom Lynch, Kevin Brooks, Kathy Taylor, Lori Vermillion, Renee Simmermeyer. SECOND ROW: Pam Artist, Shari Tarnow, Betty Secrest, Penny Wallace, Cyril Oake, Mark Jones, Rob Shail, Peggy Roda, Jamie Antonucci, Laura Peterson, THIRD ROW: Carla Sauers, Carol Anderson, Sally Wilhelm, Pam Blint, Jim Klute, Jim Garoutte, Dave Loree, Tammi Bryant, Linda Olson, Becky Sipes, Eva Olson, FOURTH ROW: Gail Wollert, Darma Keen, Debbie Holmquest, Scott Ness, Dave Devereaux, Gary Heminger, Ernie Geist, Dave Martin, Chris Kent, Director: Margaret Dickie.

Girls Allegro Choir



FIRST ROW: Darlene Moore, Pam Gamble, Sheila Harness, Tammy Lenig, Cindy Wesch, Gail Masterson, Peggy Devereaux, Molli Kizer, LaDonna Kulasa, Jane Camalick, SECOND ROW: Linda Peterson, Kim Bates, Kellie Thompson, Tina Elkins, Cindy Keck, Lisa Dopieralski, Karen Wise, Nancy Litza, Becky Lind, THIRD ROW: Director: Margaret Dickie, Tina Tarnow, Tammy Gauk, Theresa Tarnow, Marcia Masters, Bobbie Stevens, Brenda Jozwiak, Virginia Lake, Shari Gierke.

"Is your page done yet?" was constantly echoed by Mr. Blaine Gamble, Journalism advisor, as deadlines approached for the COUGAR REPORTER.

After scurrying to finish the copy for the newspaper by writing, rewriting, justifying, final copying, proofreading, and doing the layout and heads, members of the journalism class could relax--until the next issue.

Between the production of the monthly school newspaper, students of journalism learned the fundamentals of feature, sports writing as well as techniques of interviewing and notetaking.

Karin Klute was Editor-in-Chief and Mary Ann Hensley, Assistant Editor for the 1976-1977 COUGAR REPORTER.



COUGAR REPORTER



FIRST ROW: Karin Klute, Deb Roesner, Carla Nickerson, Jan Truex, Kim Bates, Advisor: Mr. Blaine Gamble. SECOND ROW: Eugene Truczynski, Betty Mills, Joanie Schroeder, Annette Vermillion, Chris Miller, Sue Sebasty, THIRD ROW: Sheryl Holman, Shari Hutton, Jeff Rush, Brenda Truex, Jayne Schroeder. FOURTH ROW: John Wozniak, Jon Schaefer, Dennis Rzepka, Jim Neff.

Many hours go into the production of a paper.





ORGANIZATIONS

Student Council



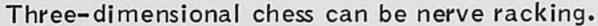
FRONT ROW: Lisa Mossman, Sandra Reyes, Mary Adnson, Robin Klute. SECOND ROW: Sponsor-Mr. Robert Noel, Darrel Kettring, Doug Williamson, Eugene Gadacz.

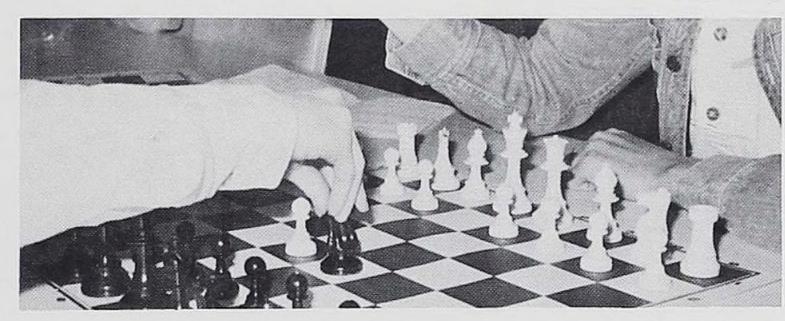
AVA/Library Club



FRONT ROW: Starr Ewert, Kris Kratz, Anne Rice, Tomme Owens, Cheryl Pietsch, Sponsor-Mrs. Gloria Guptill. SECOND ROW: Regina Feikes, Cindy Vollmer, Nancy Bozenski, Richard Kratz, Teri Rice, Teresa Tarnow, Bonnie Rice.







Chess Club Loses Veterans

New Prairie Chess Club lost all of its veteran players last year and are in the process of rebuilding.

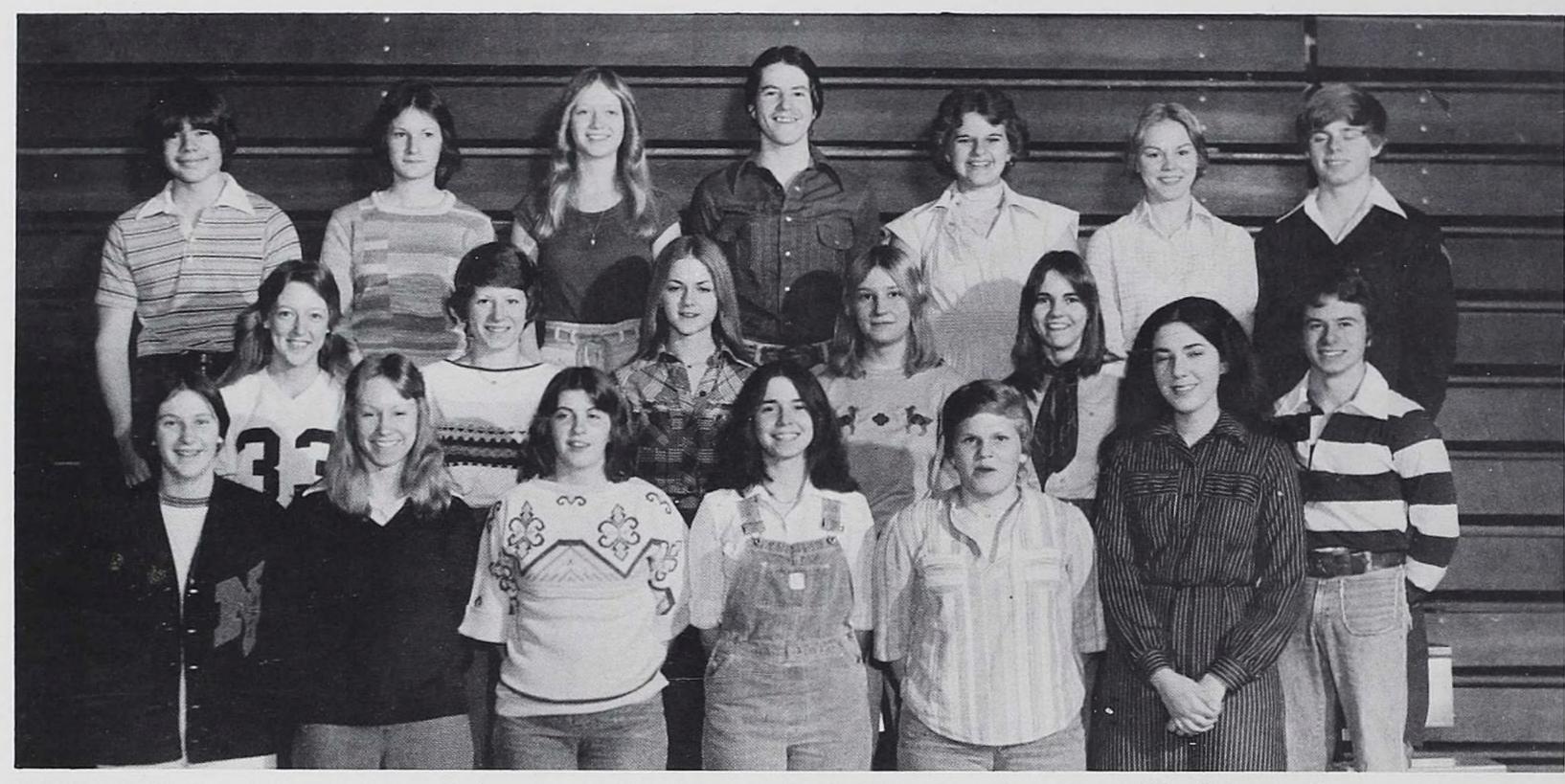
Club activities included a rapidtransit chess tournament, won by Gregg Zigler, solitaire chess and study opening theory as well as chess traps.

Members of the club are selected, by challenge, to become a member of the Chess Team. The team had a successful year taking second place in the LaPorte County Chess League, losing the traveling trophy.



FRONT ROW: Amy Fritzen, Kent Bicknese, Gregg Zigler, Steve Hagler, Sponsor: Mr. Mike Powers. SECOND ROW: Dave Olson, Dave Earlywine, Jerry Hans, Doug Wollert. THIRD ROW: Ruth Layman, Doug Lenig, Kevin Feltz.

Art Club Gains Theatrical Experience



FRONT ROW: Amy Fritzen, Joanne Schroeder, Debbie Roesner, Kelly Thompson, Jean Ward, Miss Rebecca Kapsa. SECOND ROW: Carla Nickerson, Sheryl Holman, Sue Sebasty, Cheryl Brown, Pat Cites, Chris Rybicki. THIRD ROW: Niel Laver, Connie Hojara, Gayle Proud, Andy Holman, Betty Mills, Sharon Zakrewski, Mitch Kane.

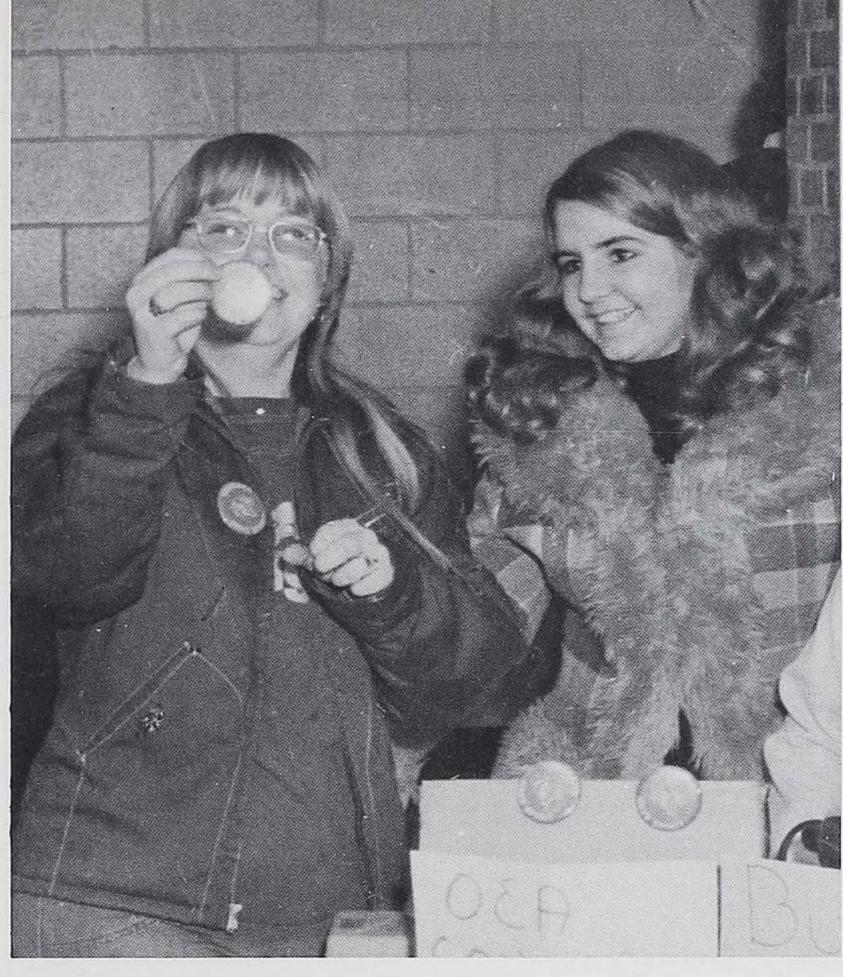


Future art club members???

Preparing sets for the fall musical was the major activity of this year's Art Club. Led by Vice-President, Sheryl Holman; Secretary, Joanne Schroeder; and Treasurer, Andy Holman, the group participated in a student art show and ventured to various shows and museums.

The thirty member club made a few extra dollars this year with a sale of their art projects. The group was under the sponsorship of Miss Becky Kapsa.





Leanne Schmitt shows off her Cougar Button.

What organization is composed of students who wish a career in the office field? OEA of course! Office Education Association is co-curricular to aid members in their career objective. Members attended state and district conferences and contests. These contests tested not only the students' knowledge but their personality as well.

knowledge but their personality as well.
Fund raising activities included a sale of candles, calendars, and cougar buttons.
Officers for the year were: President, Sue Morehouse; Vice-President, Leanne Schmitt; Secretary, Donna Fox; Treasurer, Joyce Schreiber; Parliamentarian, Sharon Molenda; Historian/Reporter, Ceilia Jones; Sponsor, Mr. Max Haag.

OEA Attends State Contest



FRONT ROW: Sandy Clark, Ceilia Jones, Debbie Buck, Theresa Jankowski, Mary Martinez, Kathy Houser, Leanne Schmitt, Mr. Max Haag.

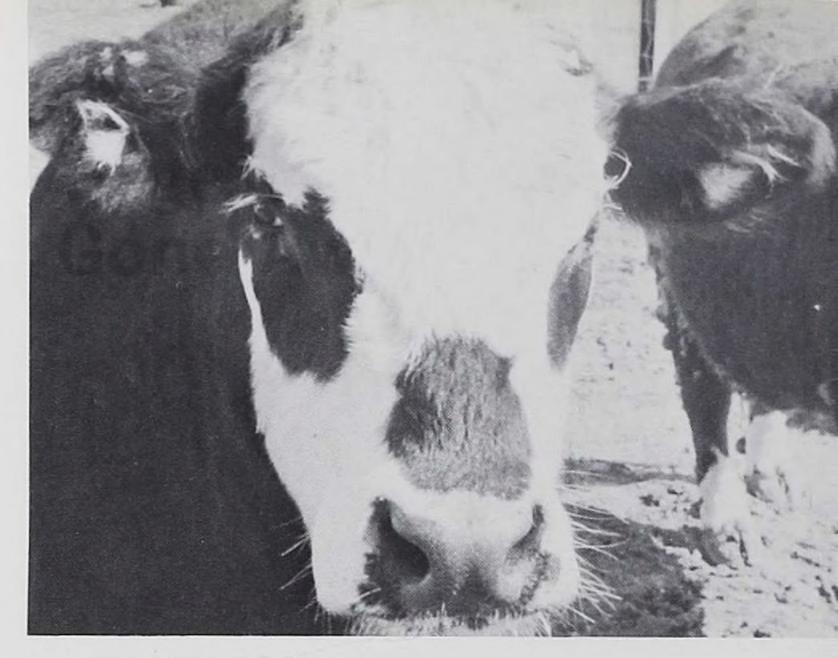
SECOND ROW: Cheryl Pietsch, Cathy King, Kendi Cady, Joyce Schrieber, Bonnie Waldo, Sandy Hebner, Donna Fox.

THIRD ROW: Anne Rice, Lynn Paxson, Sue Morehouse, Marcia Kessler, Judy Wideman, Judy Crouch.

New Prairie's Future Farmers of America received many awards this year. This fifty-nine member club took first place in sheep judging, individual beef judging, and individual swine judging in the Purdue Invitational Livestock Judging Contest. They also worked for the Gold Emblem Chapter Award.

Officers for the year were: President, Dave Thompson; Vice-President, Brian Heck; Secretary, Donna Zwierzynski; Treasurer, Terry Coffman; Reporter, Mike Rist; Sentinel, Mic Jasinski; FFA sponsor, Don Thomas.

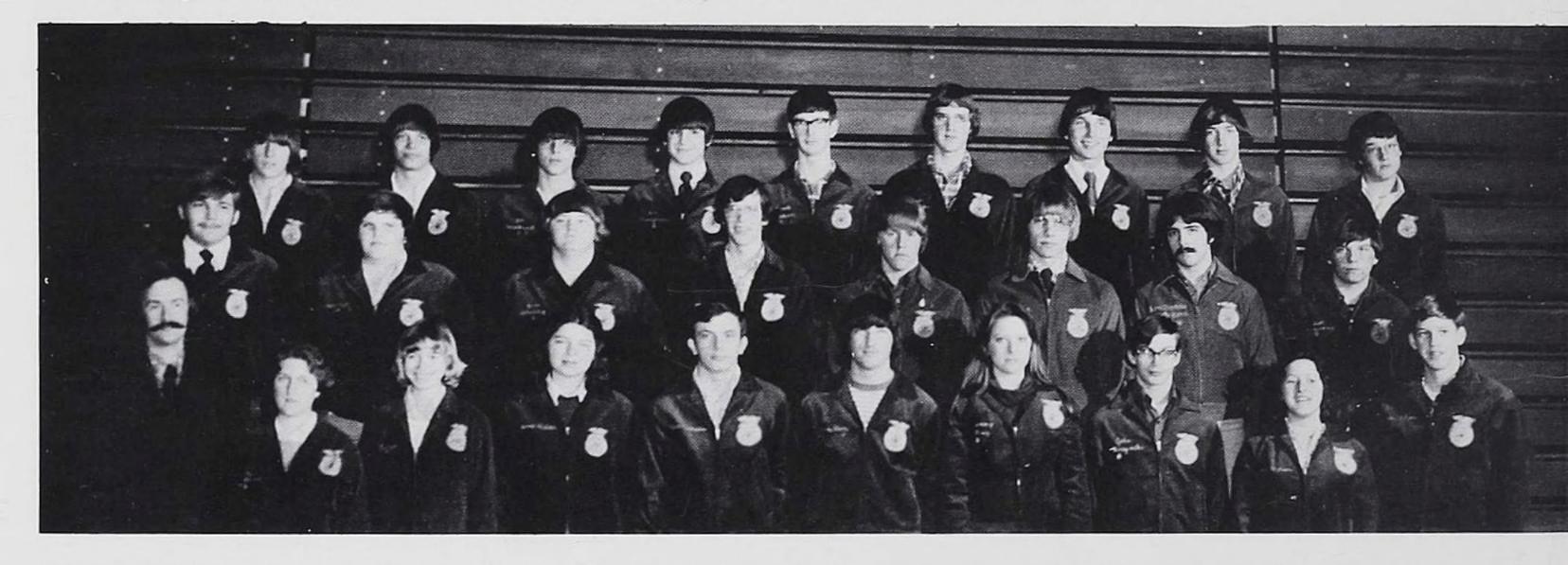
FFA Goes To P.U.



I was judged No. 1 by the FFA.



FRONT ROW: Dale Waak, George Bladecki, Tammy Lenig, Tim Shott, Patty Wilson, Matt Feikes, Deb Cauin, Wayne Zwierzynski. SECOND ROW: Shelley Farrington, Louie Nitsos, John Mrozinski, Jim Deutscher, Mark Tuszynski, Sharri Gierke, Keenis Davis. THIRD ROW: Tim Headley, Bob Williams, Todd Rogers, Steve Woodrick.



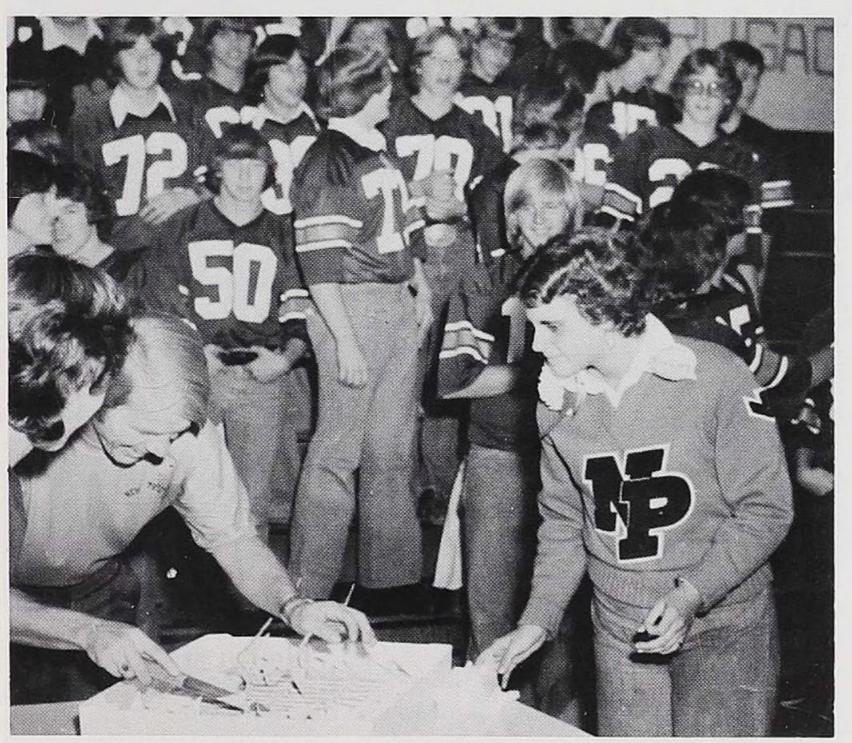
FRONT ROW: Sponsor: Don Thomas, Susan Truyaert, Lori Corpe, Lorrie Glassburn, Dave Keehn, Allen Starr, Deb VandeZande, Don Stoner, Peggy Truyaert, Roy Deutscher. SECOND ROW: Dave Devereaux, Mike Rist, Dave Salisbury, Terry Coffman, Scott Goodson, Rob Fisher, Mike McCarty, Scott Freedenberg. THIRD ROW: Bob Youngblood, Steve Mrozinski, Jon Houseknecht, Don Livinghouse, Dave Jackson, Mike VanWanzeele, Doug Lenig.



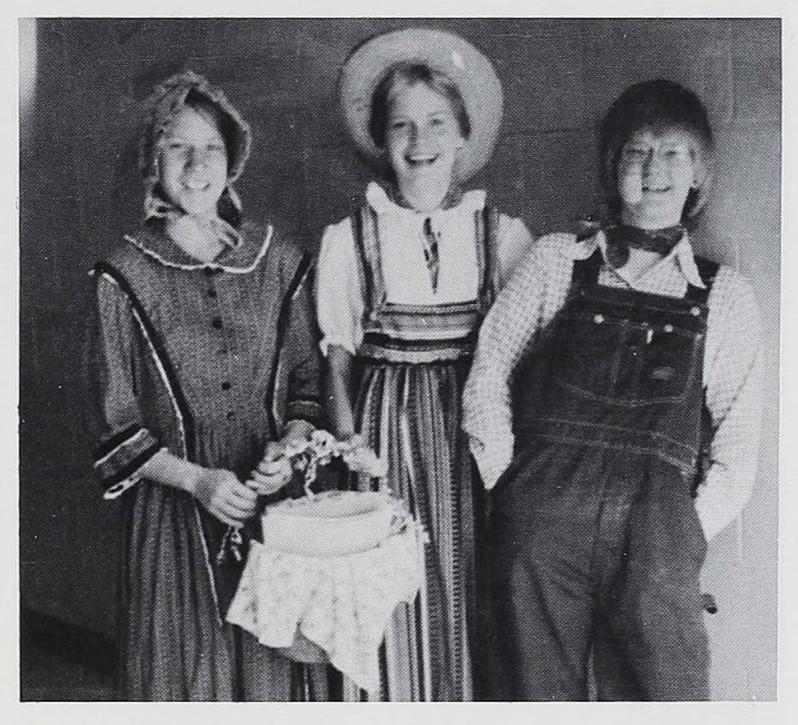
FRONT ROW: Sandy Zelasko, Teresa Martinez, Anita Baxter, Deb Roesner, Betty Mills, Pat Cites, Pam Waldo, Denise Moore. SECOND ROW: Angela Baldwin, Ann Moryl, Julie Johns, Robin Klute, Sheryl Holman, Annette Vermillion, Trudy Wideman, Carla Nickerson, Jayne Schroeder, Sandy Reyes, Pam Barber. THIRD ROW: Brenda Barnhart, Stephanie Nies, Lisa Martell, Tara Thompson, Bonni Waldo, Laura Peterson, Darlene Moore, Mary Lestinsky, Kym DeGroote, Janice Gadacz, Lori Vermillion. FOURTH ROW: Deb Raushenbach, Janice Washluske, Joanie Schroeder, Nancy Johnson, Kathy Eggert, Gayle Proud, Ann Gilchrist, Cherri Everill, Lori Kuta, Sponsor: Mrs. Marti Cyrus. SIXTH ROW: Julianne Ford, Kellie Thompson, Patti Bunton, Cheryl Brown, Gail Woolsey, Renee Simmermeyer, Tawni Sinka, Connie Hojara, Sharon Zakrzewski, Jan Truex, Sharri Tarnow.



The cheerleaders plan their strategy.



Pep club presented a cake to Mr. Trosper.



New Prairie Students, Farmers???

The Spirit of N.P.H.S.

Making posters, pep sessions and cheering at athletic events is the task of the Pep club and Cheerleaders. With combined effort, the group revived Spirit in the halls of New Prairie. A jewelry sale raised funds to purchase an exercise machine for the athletic department.

Officers were: President, Betty Mills; Vice-president, Bonni Waldo; Secretary, Kathy Eggert; Treasurer, Denice Moore; Reporter, Nancy Johnson; and sponsor of the pep club Mrs. Marti Cyrus.

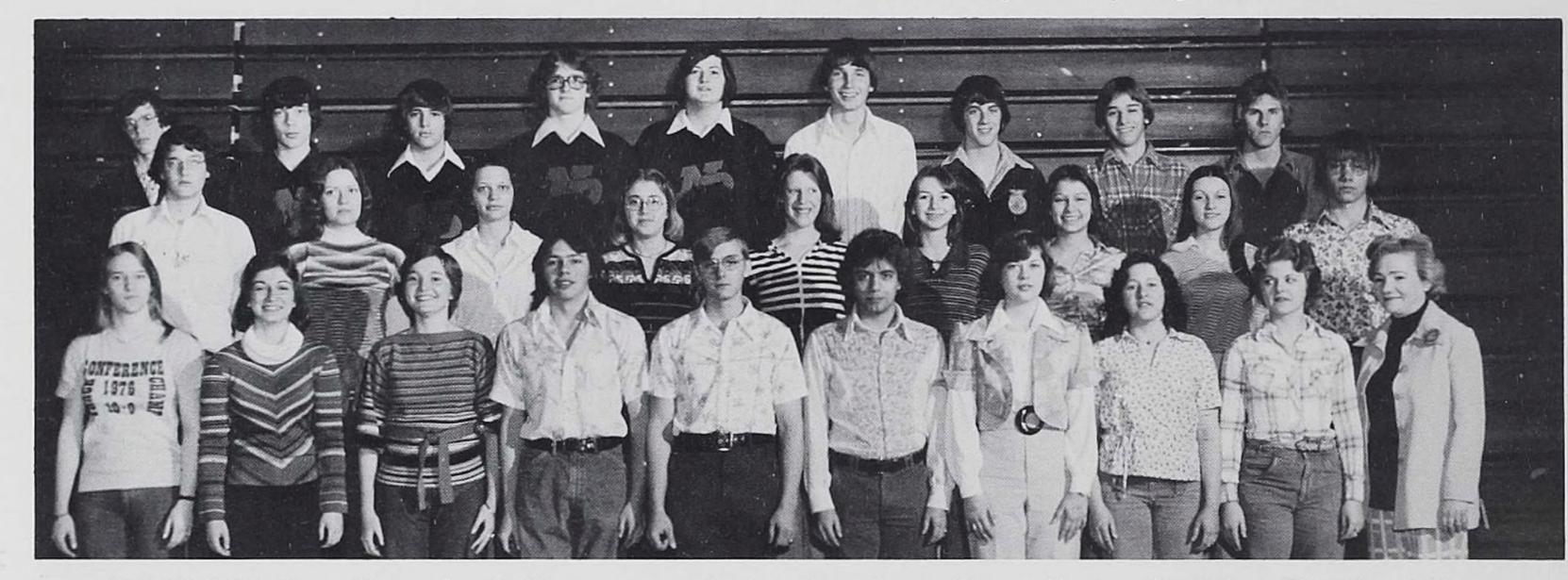
N.H.S. Inducts 62

Sixty-two students were added to the 29 members of The National Honor Society. The group culminated an active year of community oriented projects, highlighted by the annual trip to Chicago and dinner/theatre.

Officers for the year were: President, Heidi Pfeiffer; Vice-President, Chris M. Miller; Secretary, Karin Klute; Treasurer, Mike McQueeney; Historian, Mary Ann Hensley; Sponsor, Mrs. Wynelle Hughes.



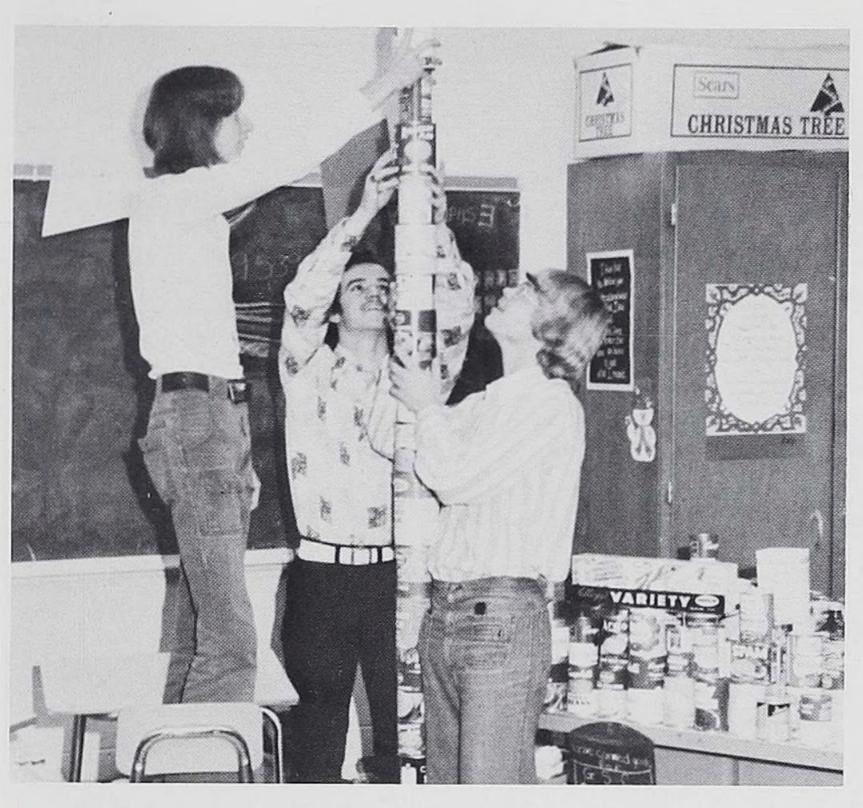
Inductees anxiously await opening ceremonies.



FRONT ROW: Karen Huenecke, Ceilia Jones, Jan Bunton, Doug Fraser, Eugene Truczynski, Kyle Leslie, Sherri Mc-Queen, Peggy Truyaert, Mary Adnson, Mrs. Wynelle Hughes, Sponsor. SECOND ROW: Doug Lenig, Kendi Cady, Becky Brown, Gaynel Runnels, Trudy Wideman, Deb Buck, Pat Burns, Tina Galloway, Rob Fisher. THIRD ROW: Terry Coffman, Lee Thomas, Paul Kampf, Tom Clark, Steve Wade, Dave Thompson, Brian Heck, Randy Candler, James Heise.



FRONT ROW: Karin Klute, Robin Klute, Jayne Schroeder, Amy Fritzen, Theresa Jankowski, Vicki Wharton, Heidi Pfeiffer, Susan Truyaert, Sandy Clark. SECOND ROW: Lori Corpe, Gail Tarnow, Annette Vermillion, Toni Cholasinski, Brenda Truex, Joyce Schreiber, Beth Dawson, Jenny Kane, Jean Ward. THIRD ROW: Paula Lynch, Karen Alm, Lynn Schwenk, Sheryl Holman, Chris M. Miller, Susan Carr, Joanne Schroeder, Susan Milliken, John Miller. FOURTH ROW: John Wozniak, John Hutts, Jeff Rush, Robert Garoutte, Larry Lineberry, Stuart Laue, Sue Morehouse, Mary Ann Hensley. FIFTH ROW: Darrel Kettring, Kent Bozenski, Roger Simon, Bill Farrington, John Zloza, Bill Jasinski, Mike McQueeney.



Physics students "can" Miss Lempke.

Although small in number, the Girl's Service Club put forth as much enthusiasm as any of the larger clubs. Spirits were elevated during the holidays as members decorated windows and doors of the school.

Projects for the year were focused on the community. At Christmas time, members made baskets for the needy. The club also sponsored a carwash which helped raise money so that the club could continue its charitable works. The GSC sponsored "The Gong Show" which featured talent within the halls of New Prairie. Officers for the year were: President; MaryAnn Hensley, Service Projects Chairperson; Debra Wordinger, Decorations Chairperson; Chris Miller. The Club is sponsored by Miss Ruth Lempke.

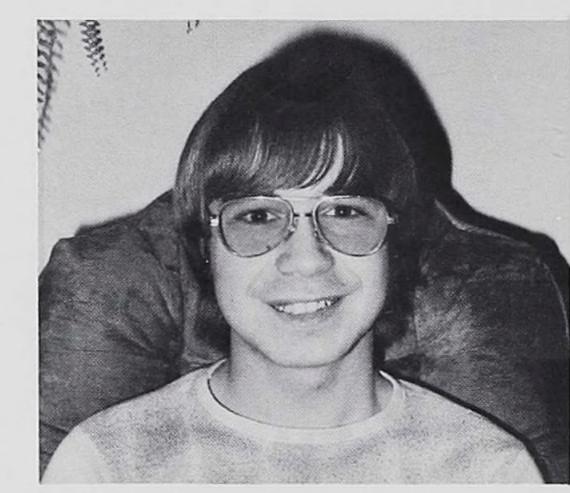
GSC Helps Community



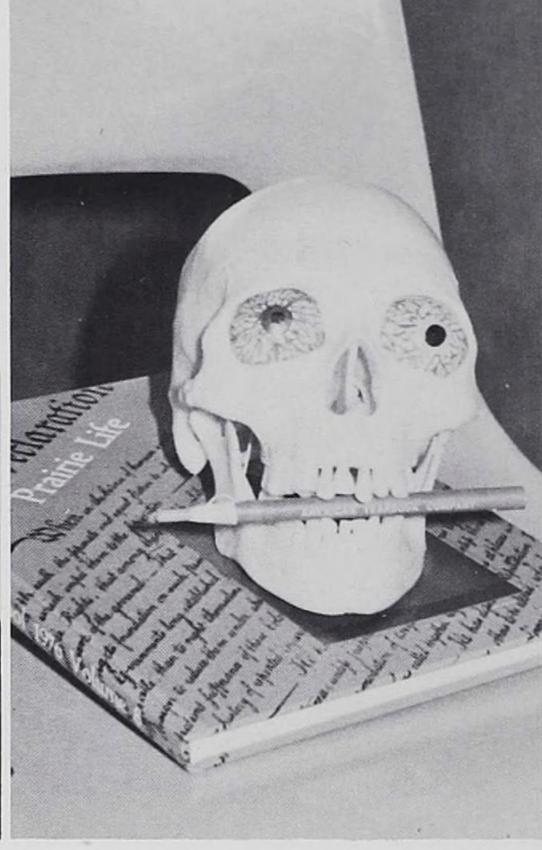
FRONT ROW: Theresa Jankowski, Paula Lynch, Kendi Cady, Gaynel Runnels, Heidi Pfeiffer, Sponsor-Miss Lempke. SECOND ROW: Debbie Wordinger, Becky Brown, Gayle Parrett, MaryAnn Hensley, Chris Miller.

Under the leadership of Editor John Miller, the yearbook staff finally produced the 1976-1977 edition of Prairie Life. The small group put in many hours working after school, during study periods and at home to produce the annual. The various tasks of putting out the book included selling ads, taking and cropping pictures, designing layouts, writing and rewriting copy, and of course typing.

Skeleton Staff Produces Fantastic 77' Yearbook



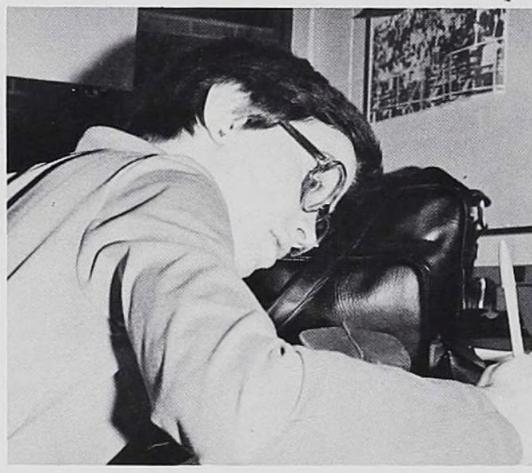
Editor John Miller



The staff after the final deadline.



Business Manager Cheryl Pietsch



Assistant Editor Karin Klute



Bonni and Pam Waldo



Larry Martin



Becky Warrington

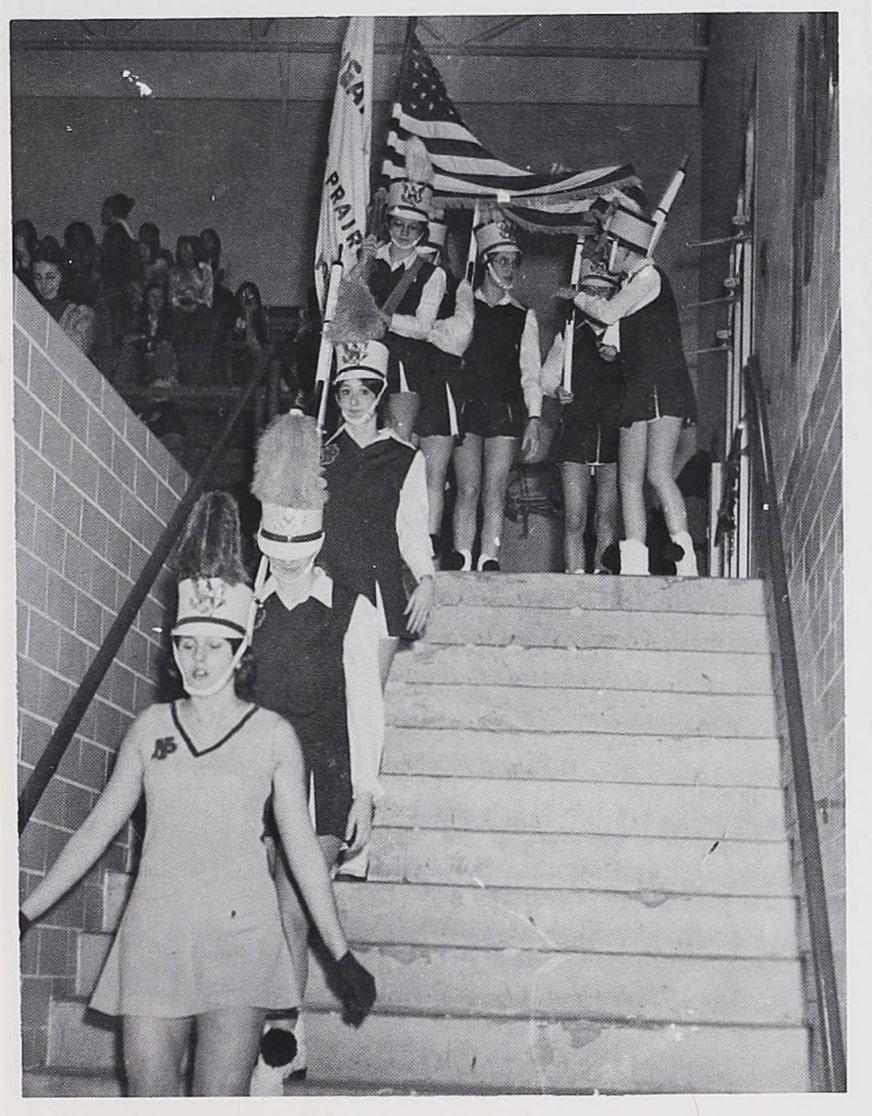


Paul Connett

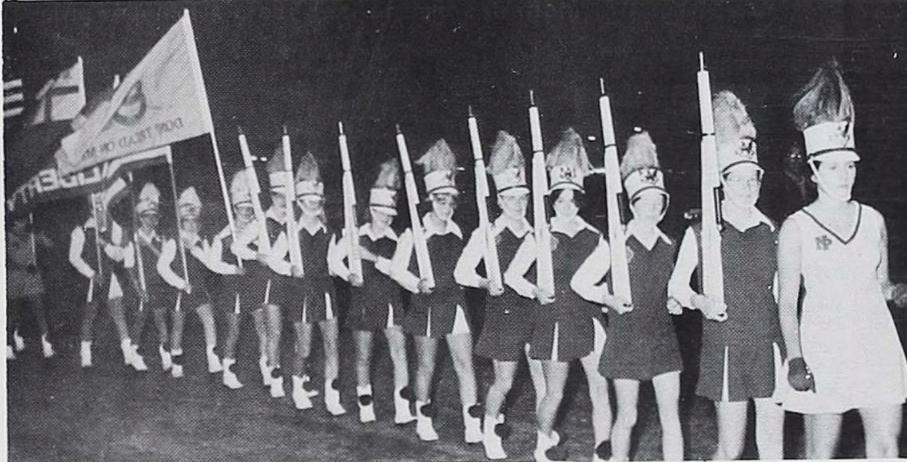


Cougar Cadettes Practice Practice Practice

Cadettes prepare for the National Anthem.



"Let's get this show on the road!"



A lesson in follow the leader.

Presenting the colors at every home basketball game was one of the responsibilities of the Cougar Cadettes. They performed at football games, Cedar Point, and area parades. They also competed at the Wisconsin Spectacle of Music, a drill-team National Champion Competition.

In keeping with the times, the Cadettes took on a new look by adopting the spinning, rifle-twirling flag format to add pageantry to the routines.

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Letter Club Members Show Athletic Achievement

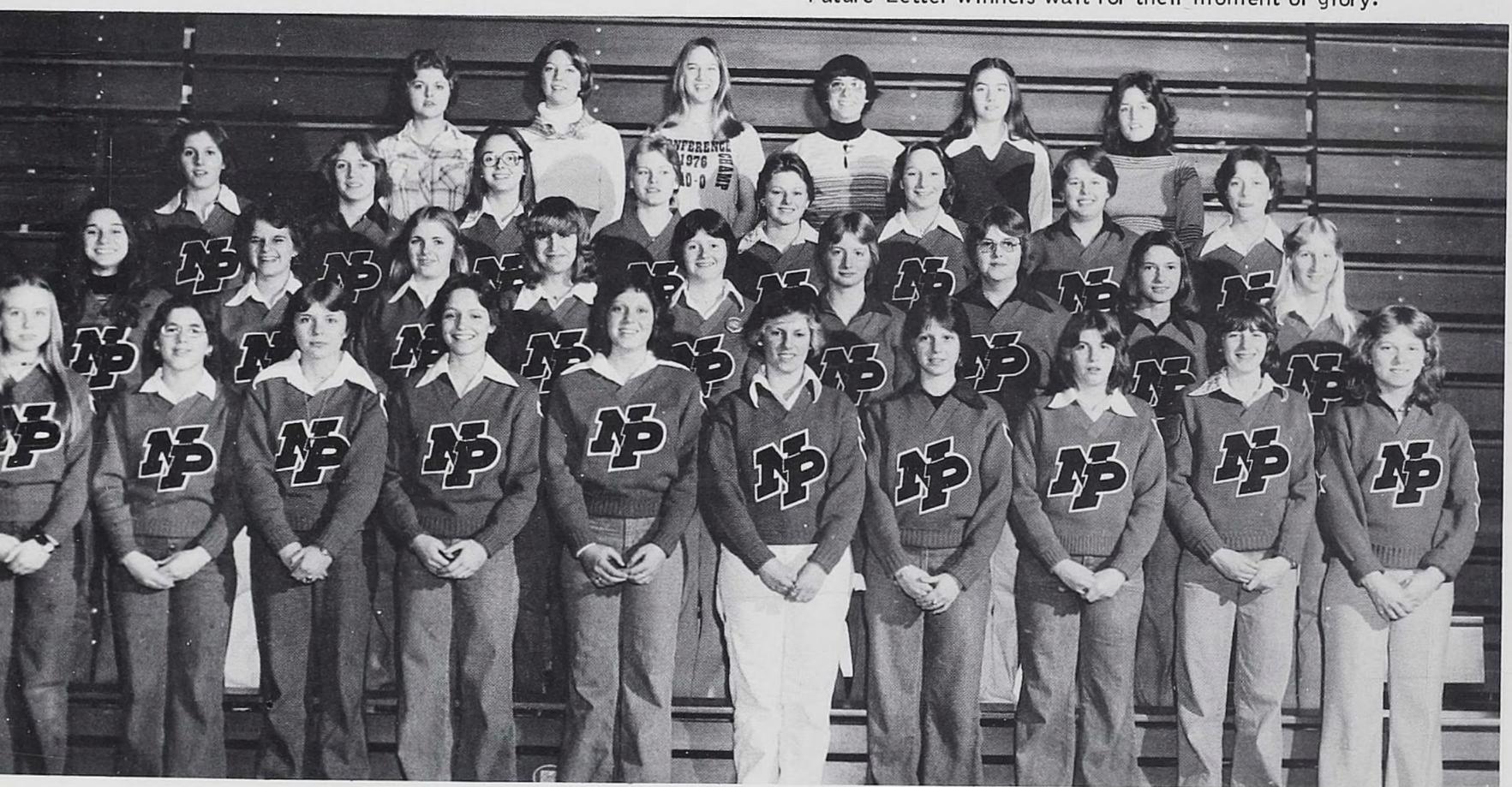
Outstanding athletes are rewarded for their efforts during high school with a letter sweater and thereby become members of the Letter Club. Maintaining their independence at homecoming, the boys' and girls' clubs cooperate in their money making efforts.

Boys' Letter Club Officers were: Bob Garoutte, president; Roger Simon, vice-president; Rich Shail, secretary; Cal Kulasa, treasurer; Don Bode, Sgt-at-arms; and Mr. Harry Tolmen, sponsor.

Girls' Letter Club Officers were: Karen Alm, president; Gail Tarnow, vice-president; Joyce Schreiber, secretary, Kelly Dennis, treasurer; and Ms. Chris Cortier, sponsor.



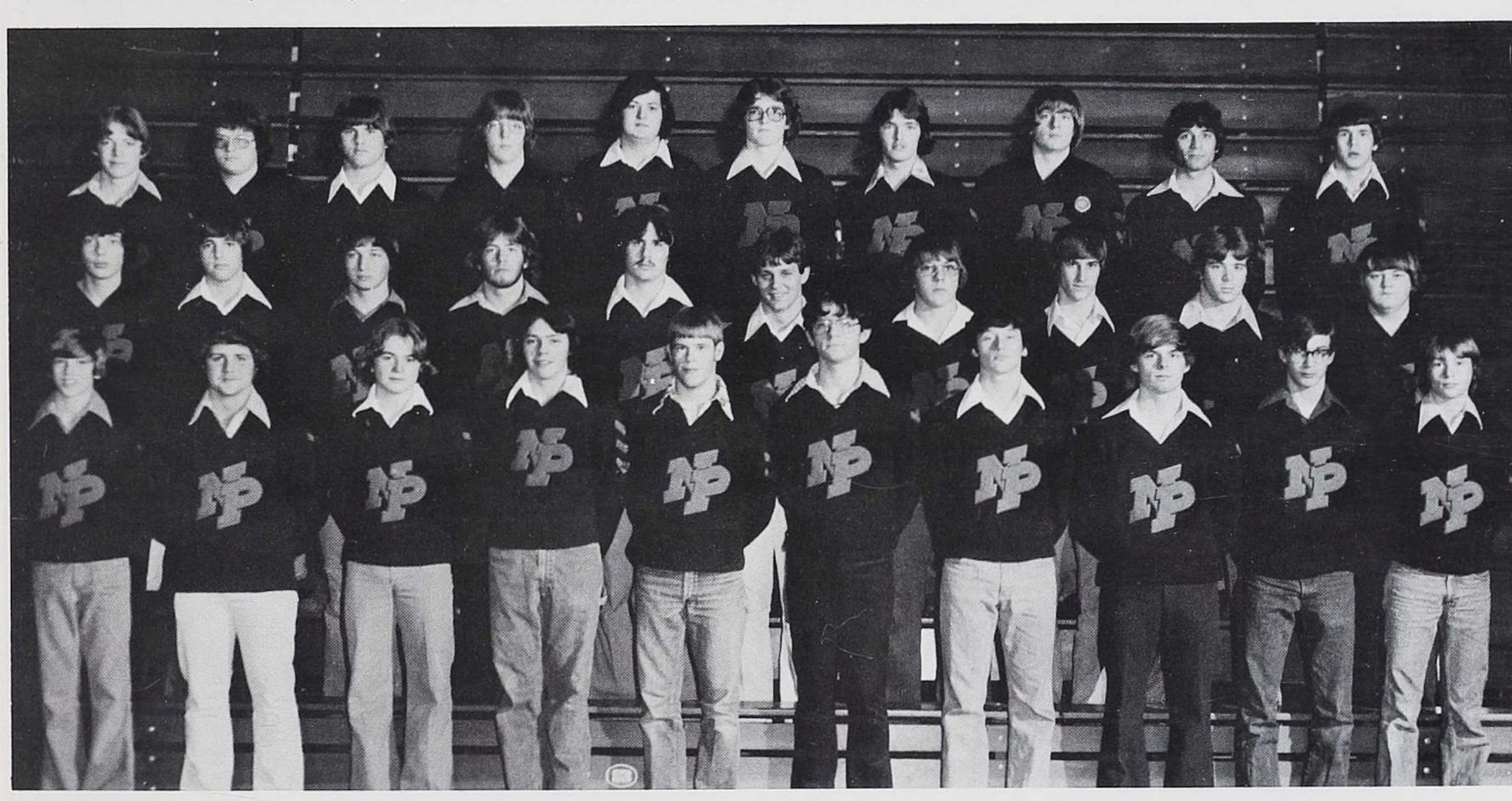
Future Letter winners wait for their moment of glory.



FRONT ROW: Wendy Hansen, Zinnia Artist, Francine Gadacz, Tami Swift, LeeAnn Spaeth, Shelley Stickler, Liz Hauge, Deb Roesner, Dawn Garoutte, Jenny Kane. SECOND ROW: Sue Carr, Betty Mills, Brenda Truex, Cindy Keck, Renee Weist, Vicki Kizer, Sara Shoff, Peg Miller, Gayle Tarnow. THIRD ROW: Karen Alm, Joyce Schreiber, Mary Ann Hensley, Nancy Johnson, Angela Baldwin, Peggy Strong, Sue Horvath, Kelly Dennis. FOURTH ROW: Mary Adnson, Sue Milliken, Karen Huenecke, Deb Singleton, Molli Kizer, Kathy McPherson.



FRONT ROW: Chris Rybicki, Don Bode, Jeff Rush, Bruce Elkins, Raul Sanchez, Bob Garoutte, Sponsor: Mr. Harry Tolmen. SECOND ROW: Darrell Kettring, Todd Stockton, Joe Martinez, Dave Fecher, Rich Kelso, Tom Nalepinski. THIRD ROW: Ray Johnson, Roger Simon, Bill Farrington, Greg Samuelson, Andy Mills, Dave Schreiber, Lenny Hall.



FRONT ROW: Jim Heath, Bill Feece, Dale Bode, Doug Fraser, Steve Jones, Ernie Geist, Rob Zigler, Mitch Kane, Don Stoner, Eric Wolfe. SECOND ROW: Lee Thomas, Paul Kampf, Peter Lestinsky, Jeff Beck, Ron Barnes, Rich Shail, Doug Williamson, Craig Jones, Dave Swank, Dave Salisbury. THIRD ROW: Dale Voltz, Chris Countryman, Gary Zwierzynski, Jeff Parry, Steve Wade, Tom Clark, Allen Bartmess, Kevin Laureys, Dennis Rzepka, Jon Shaefer.

German Club Plans Trip To Old Country

Snows prevented the German Club, as well as other organizations, from raising money through the concession stand at home basketball games but the members, nevertheless, remained undaunted in their efforts to earn funds for a trip to the Deutschland to further their experience in the practical application of their knowledge of the German language.

Aiding the president, Sue Milliken were Jim Heise, vice president; Tammy Wilson, secretary; Joyce Schreiber, treasurer; and Mr. Larry Strick, sponsor.



Essen Sie gut, Freulein!



FRONT ROW: Avonda Reinhold, Sandy Reyes, Mary Clayton, Jeanine Washluske, Tammy Wilson, Greg Zigler, Sue Milliken, Sponsor: Mr. Larry Strick. SECOND ROW: John Flagg, Kent Bicknese, Wendy Hansen, Doug Wollert, Pam Blint, Linda Wickizer, Joyce Schreiber, Doug Fraser, Mike Miller. THIRD ROW: Jay Hochstetler, Pat Higgins, Roy Deutscher, Jon Schaefer, Jim Heise, Ron Kleine, Bob Vantine.



FRONT ROW: Theresa Martinez, Tina Tarnow, Pam Barber, Janet Kremke, Tina Galloway, Pam Benjamin, Patti Bolsega, Debbie Sullivan, Terry Haddock, Sponsor: Mr. Gerardo Gonzales. SECOND ROW: Kim Jorgenson, Pam Blint, Shelley Farrington, Laura Peterson, Mary Lestinsky, Bobbie Stevens, Kathy Kurzhal, Sandee Vance. THIRD ROW: Virginia Lake, Ginger Norris, Cheri Everill, Angela Baldwin, Betty Duncan, Kerry Leslie, Tara Thompson. FOURTH ROW: Glen Todd, Chris Thompson, Stuart Nickerson, Mike Miller, Matt Porter, Curt Felker.



Spanish Club Plans Future Trip

A "Grand Raffle" with many prizes provided the means by which the Spanish Club will sponsor members on a rewarding and fun trip to Spain next year.

Another highlight of the year was the joint Christmas Party with the other language clubs -- French and German.

Our officers were Pam Blint, president; Karen Ice, vice president; Shelley Farrington, secretary; Kathy Taylor, treasurer with Mr. Gerardo Gonzales as sponsor.

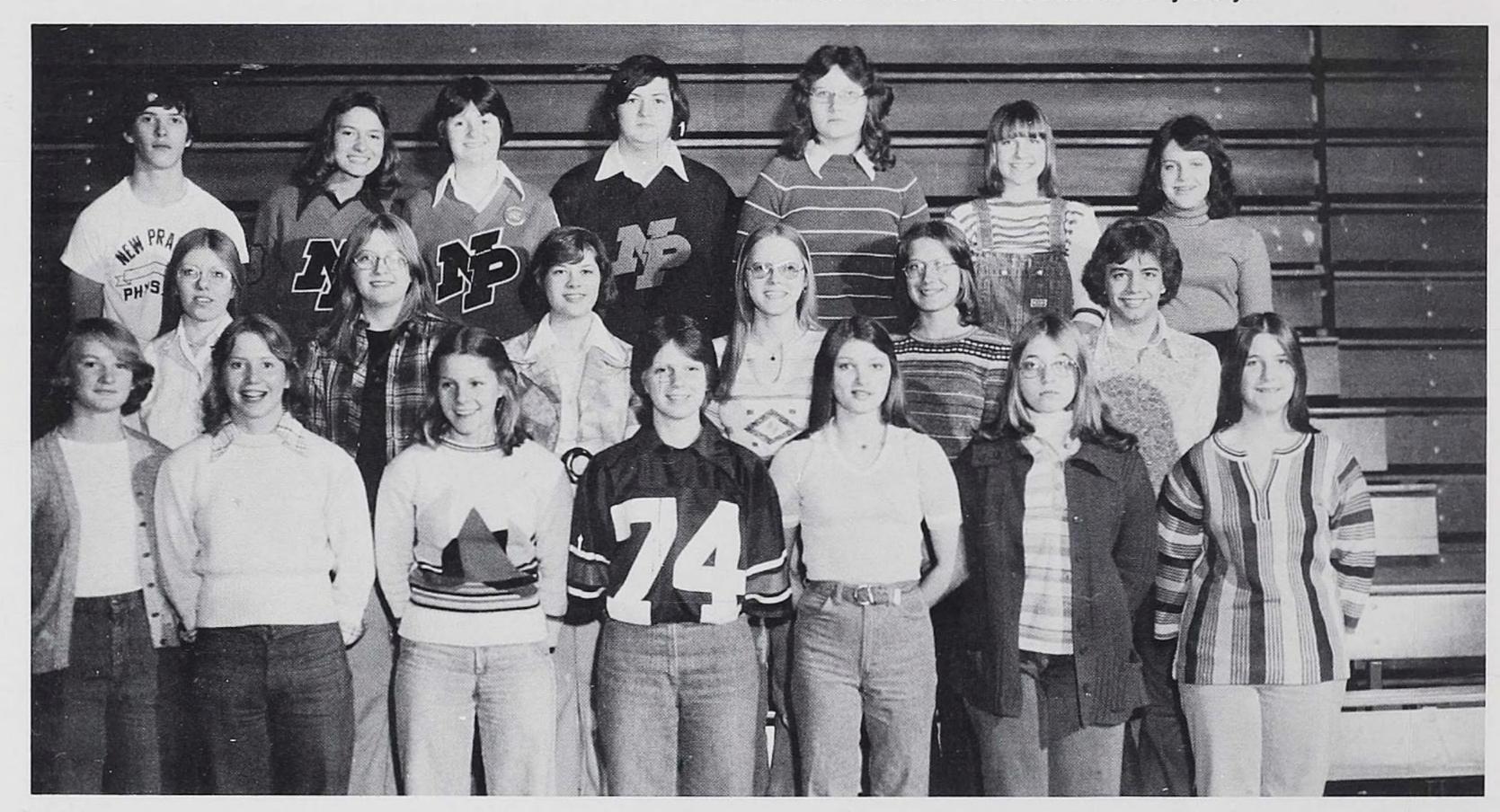
Music is the same in any language.

Twenty-three members participated in the French Club under the sponsorship of Mr. Dimitri Gloss. Numerous projects were planned during the year such as a cake raffle at a basketball game but despite efforts of the club, heavy january snows hampered the clubs good intentions. Other projects planned were an Easter food drive, a school slave day and a donkey basketball game. Officers for the year were: President, Chris Miller; Vice-President, Kyle Leslie; Secretary, Steve Wade; Secretary, Ellen Clark.

Winter Dampens French Club Plans

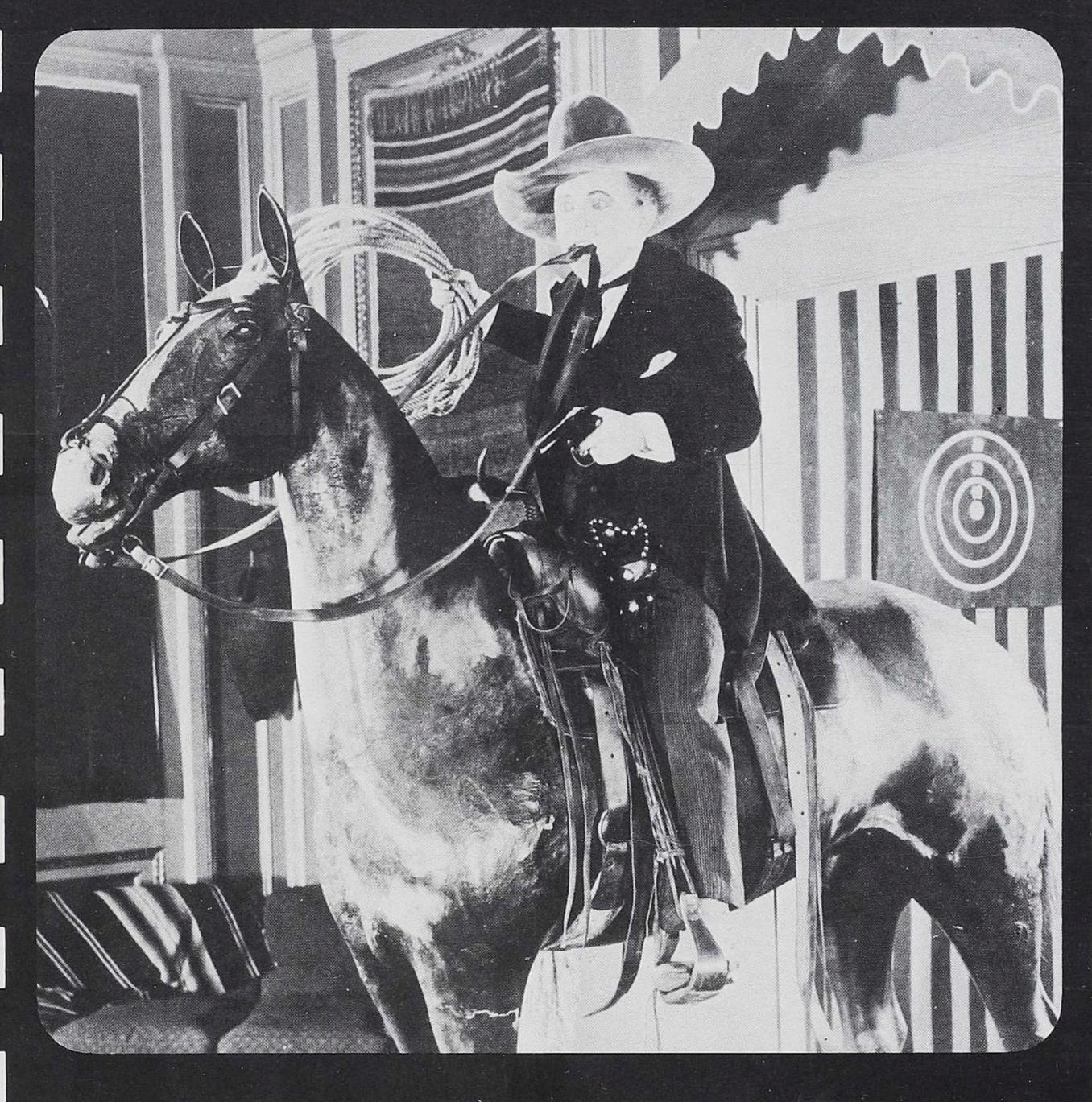


Members take time out to hear a funny story.

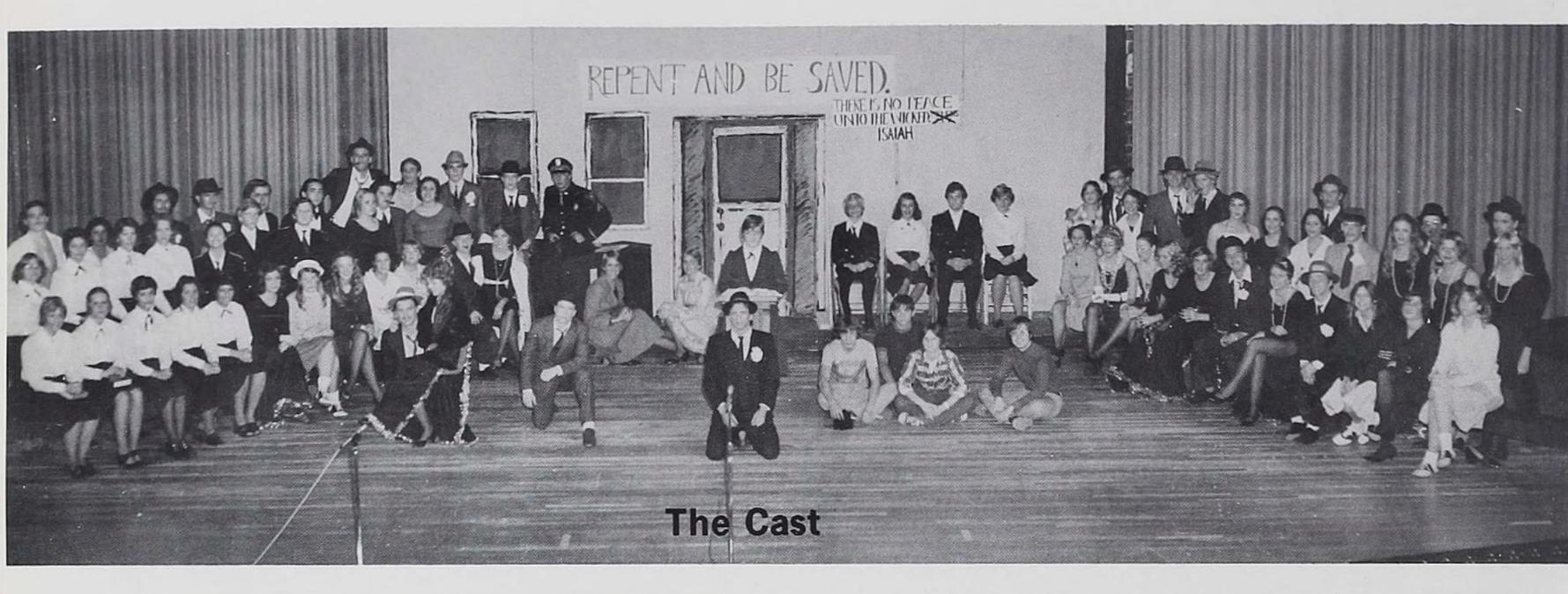


FRONT ROW: Cindy Christenson, Renee Herbert, Sally Wolfe, Liz Hauge, Lisa Mossman, Bonnie Rice, Patty Hardy. SECOND ROW: Debbie Jones, Judy Rice, Sherri McQueen, Ellen Clark, Chris J. Miller, Kyle Leslie. THIRD ROW: Keith Manges, Peg Miller, Renee West, Steve Wade, Cindy Vollmer, Ann Moryl, Jodi Gumm.





SPECIAL EVENTS



"Guys And Dolls" Comes To New Prairie Stage



The Mission Band

Come one, Come all, see the music departments rendition of the Broadway musical Guys and Dolls. The show was presented on November 12 and 13 with Bruce Cox and Lisa Jones in the lead roles as Sky Masterson and Sarah Brown. Comedy was provided throughout the show by Mary Adnson as Adelade and Rich Shail as Nathan Detroit. Lenny Hall as Nicely Johnson and Rob Zigler as Benny Southstreet, kept the audience laughing.

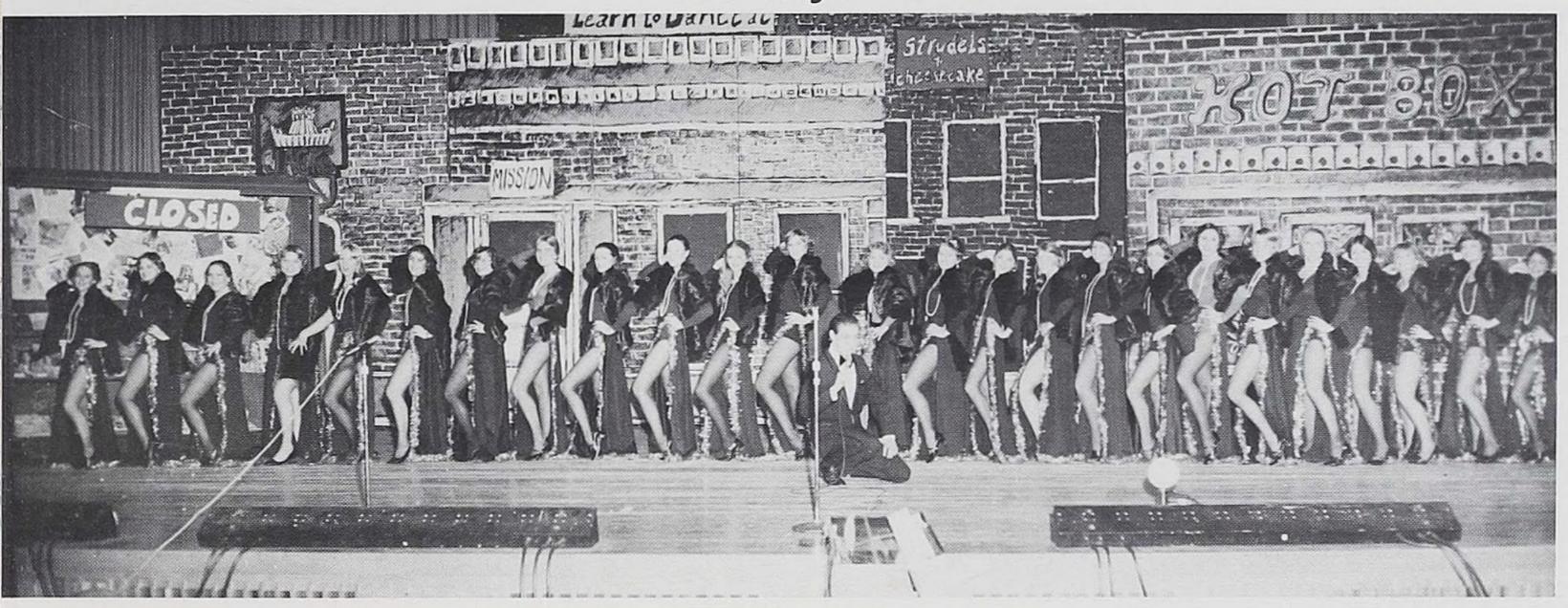
The Mission Band, with the other Guys and Dolls worked dilligently to make the show a great success.



"Oh Nathan Darling . . . "



The Guys



The Dolls





Sit down you're rockin' the boat.

The curtain call is the actors final performance.

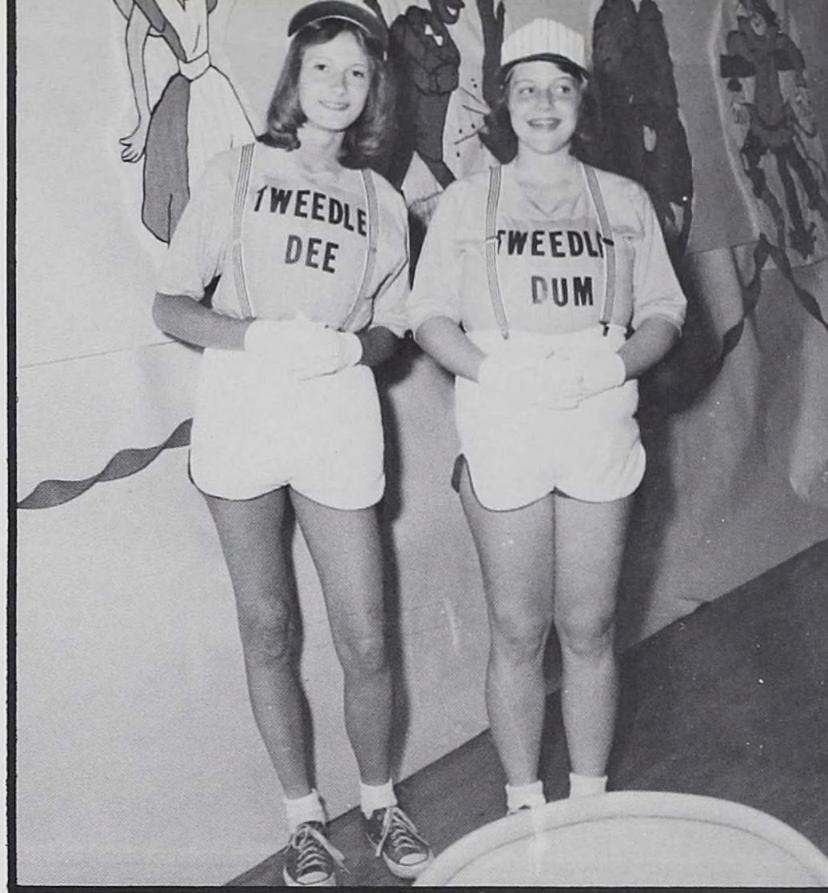
The Land Of Make-Believe



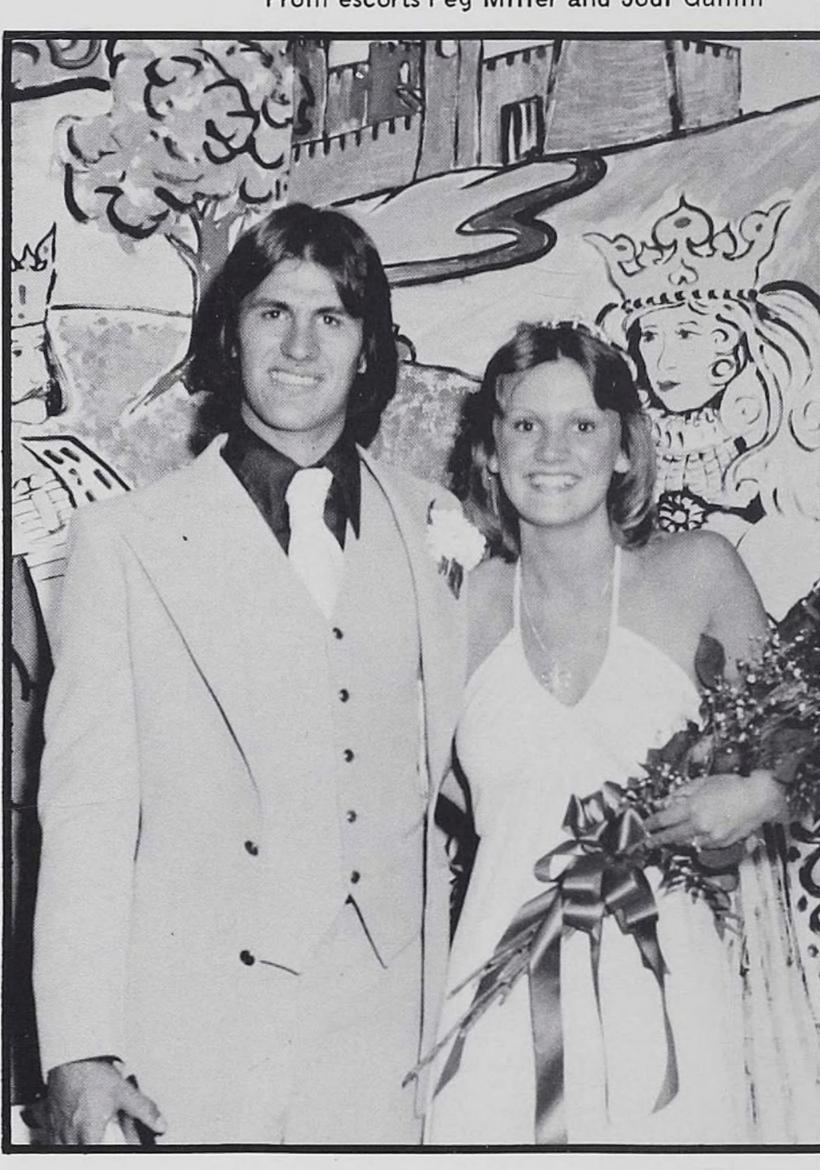
Juniors prepare Prom decorations . . .



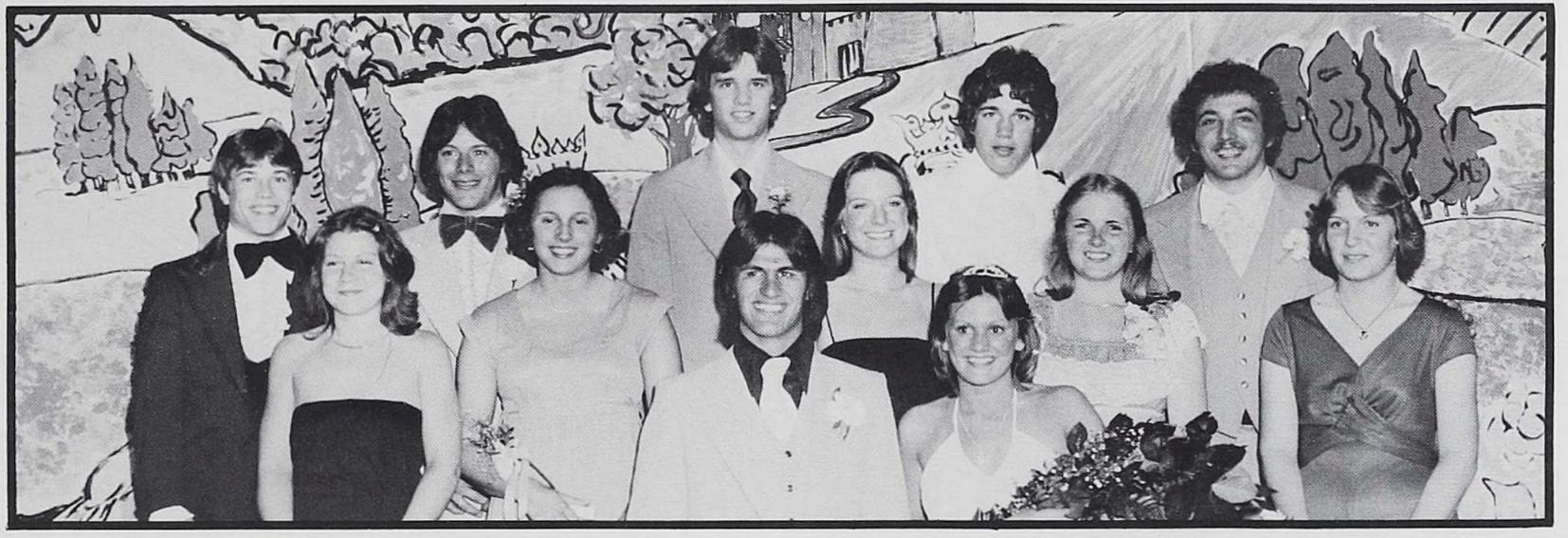
Guests arrive at make-believe land . . .



Prom escorts Peg Miller and Jodi Gumm



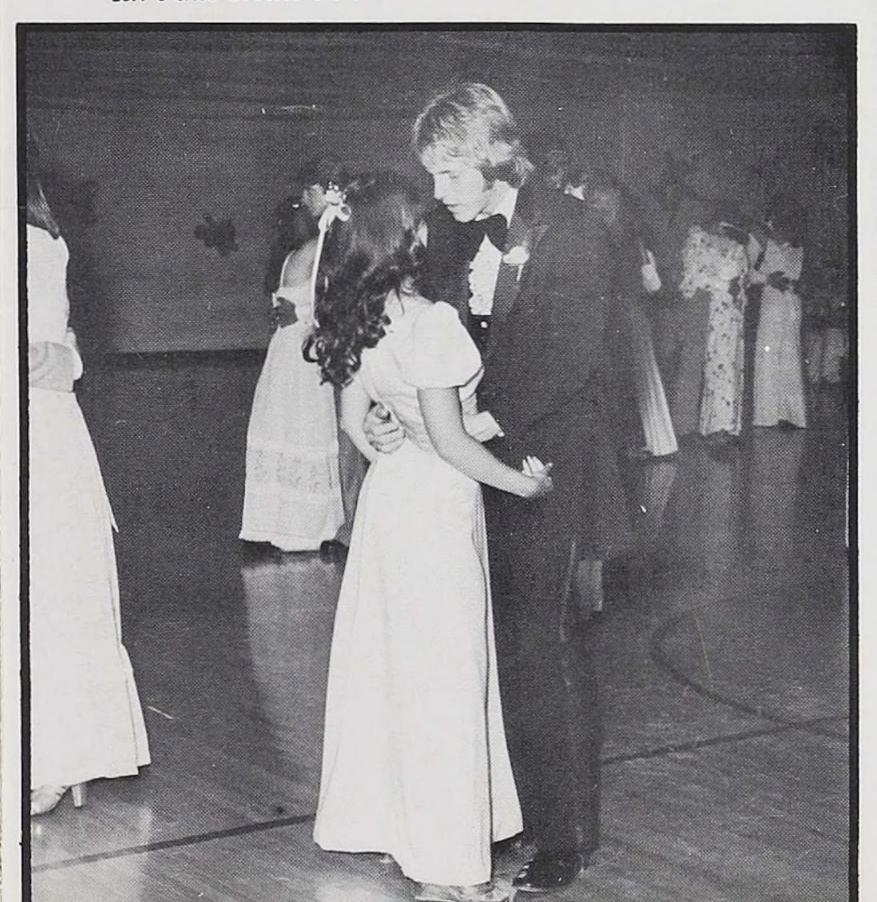
Prom King & Queen Roger Simon and Annette Vermillion.



Prom Court: FRONT ROW: Prom King & Queen Roger Simon and Annette Vermillion. SECOND ROW: Bruce Cox and Jan Joslin, Bob Garoutte and Karen Alm; Bill Farrington and Debbie VandeZande, Bret Sobecki and Brenda Truex, Jeff Rush and Joyce Schreiber.



"Isn't this divine . . . "





After dancing, punch and cookies are refreshing.

Guests enjoy the formal atmosphere.

A Short Look At The Way It Was 76/77

SEPTEMBER

- 3 The Viking 2 spacecraft lands on Mars and eventually sends back the first pictures of the Martian surface.
- 6 A Russian pilot lands a MIG-25 jet in Japan and asks the United States for political asylum.
- 9 Mao Tse-Tung, leader of the Peoples Republic of China dies at age 82.
- 23 President Ford and Jimmy Carter discuss Economic problems in the first of the Ford/Carter debates in Philidelphia.

OCTOBER

- 4 U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz for "Gross Indiscretion" amid rising protest over racist remarks.
- 6 President Ford and Jimmy Carter discuss foreign policy and national defense in the second of the Ford/Carter debates in San Franciso.

NOVEMBER

- 2 James Earl (Jimmy) Carter, Jr. is elected President of the United States capturing 50.08 percent of the popular vote. Senator Walter F. Mondale, (Minn.) is elected Vice-President.
- 15 China rejects friendlier ties with Russia.

DECEMBER

- 16 U.S. Health Officials halt the Swine-Flu immunization program because of a possible link to at least fifty cases of paralysis and four deaths.
- 20 Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley dies of a heart-attack at the age of 74.

JANUARY

The eastern half of the U.S. is hit by one of the worst winters in history. Schools and factories are shut down because of record breaking cold temperatures and a shortage of natural gas. While the Western half of the U.S. suffers severe drought and possible water rationing.

Freddie Prinze star of television's "Chico and the Man", commits suicide due to personal problems.

FEBRUARY

Anthony Kritsis abducts a mortgage company official who he claimed had taken advantage of him. After holding the official hostage for more than 63 hours, he was finally abducted by police.

MARCH

- 5 Notre Dame upsets undefeated and No. 1 San Francisco in Basketball 93-82.
- 22 Indiana passes a pari-mutual betting law, which now makes race tracks legal.
- 27 562 persons die in the Canary Islands after the worst airplane crash in avaition history.

APRIL

15 Zairean war spills over into Zambia spreading the African war throughout the continent.

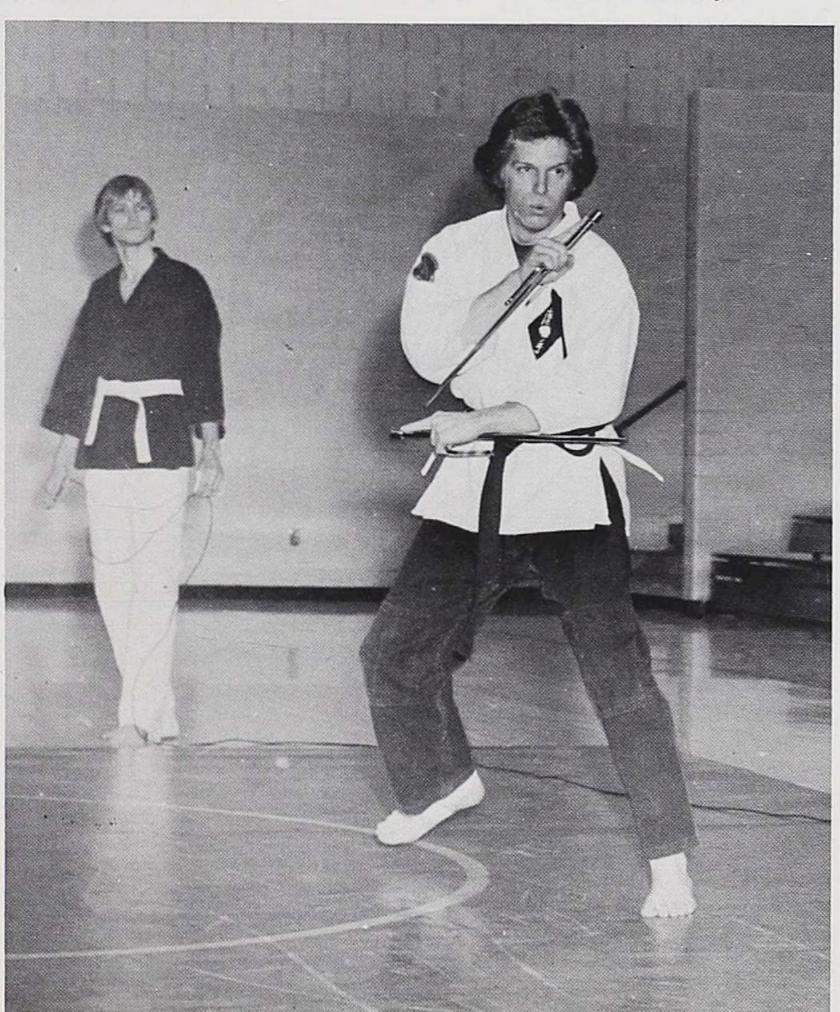
MAY

- 14 Evangelist Billy Graham visits South Bend for a crusade at the University of Notre Dame with record crowds attending.
- 22 President Jimmy Carter comes to South Bend to address the Senior Class of Notre Dame University during commencement exercises held there.

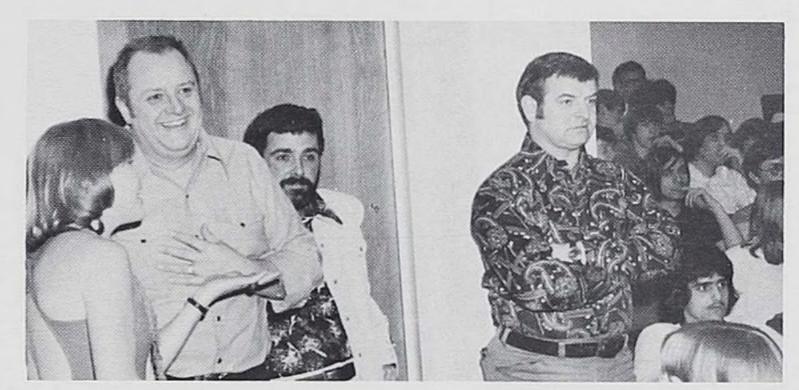
Aunt Polly's Boys stopped in for a visit.



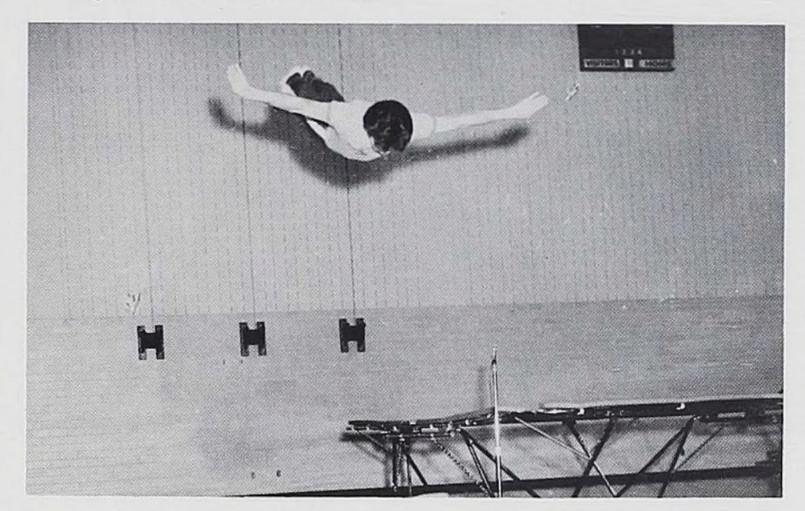
The sound of the Congolmeration rocked the student body.



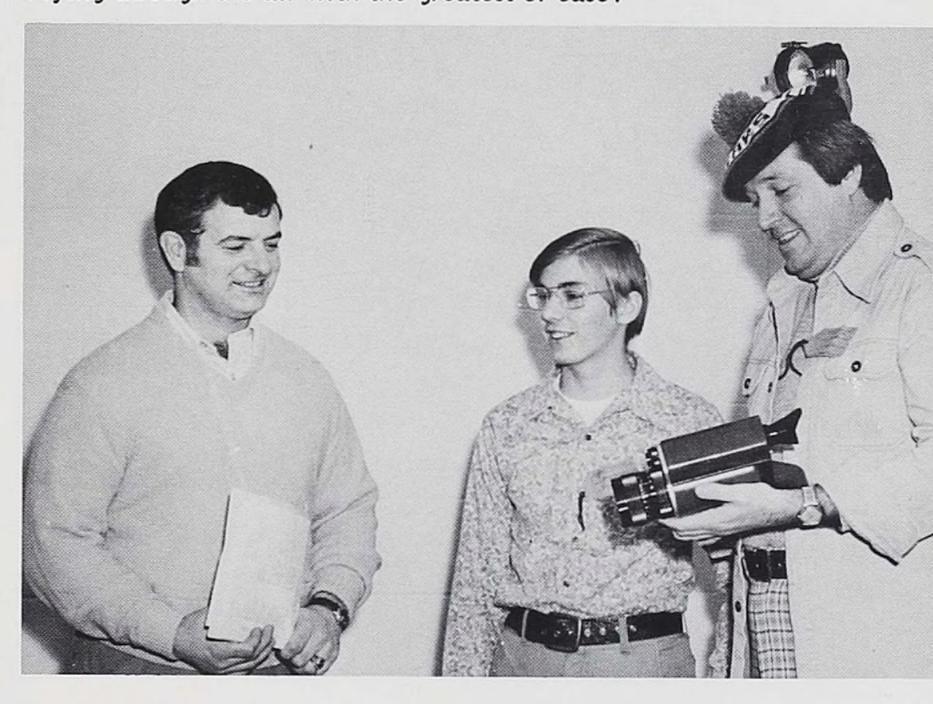
Convocations At New Prairie



"May I have this dance???"



Flying through the air with the greatest of ease?



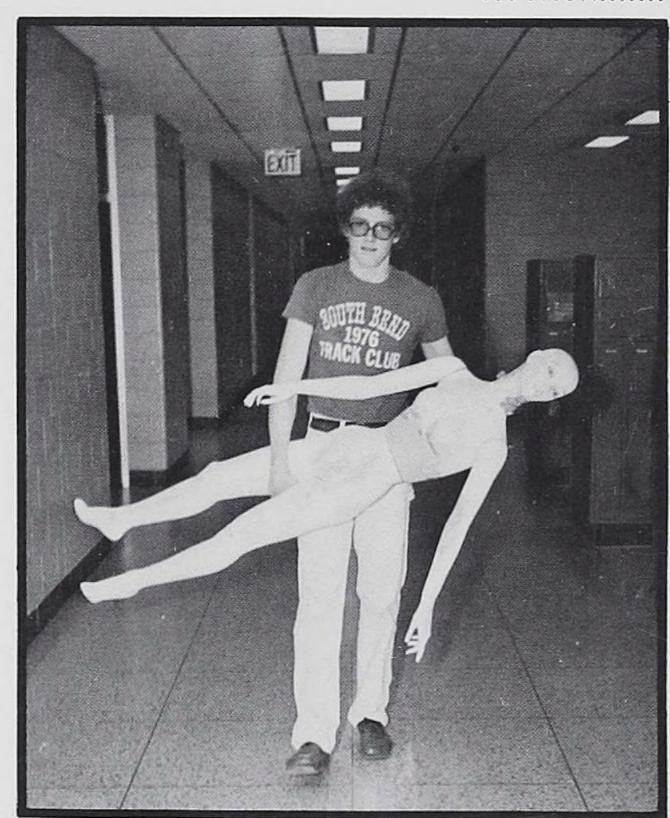
Sportscaster Sam Smith was on hand for Career day

Terry Garoutte demonstrates the ancient art of Karate.

New Prairie Students As Seen Through The Eye Of The Camera



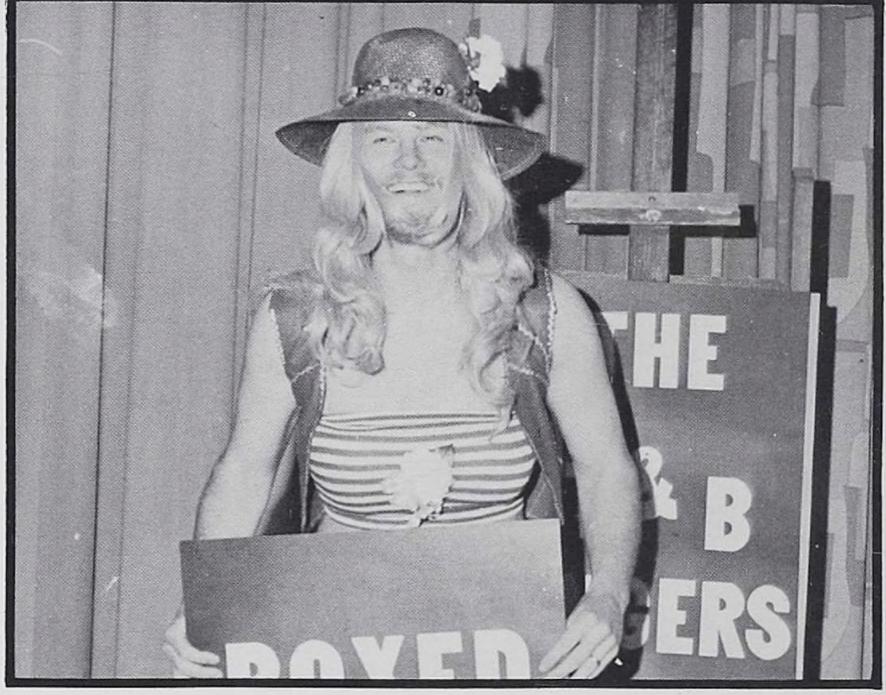
ATTACK!!!!!!!



Tom gets a lesson in body building.
"Now THAT'S a centerfold."



Sleeping on your desk can give you a flat face.

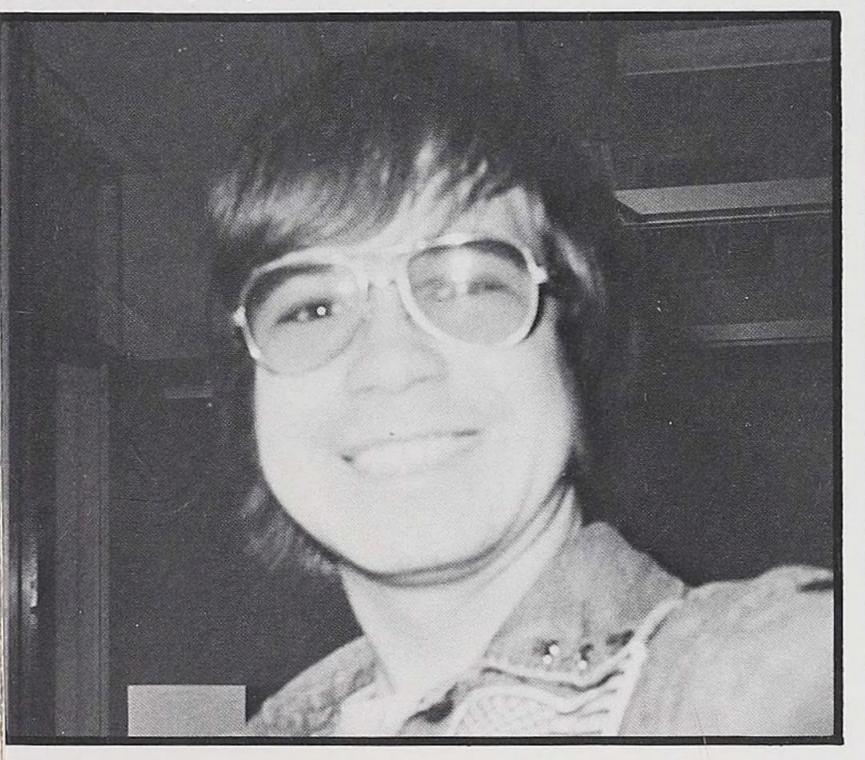


Sometimes teachers act like students.





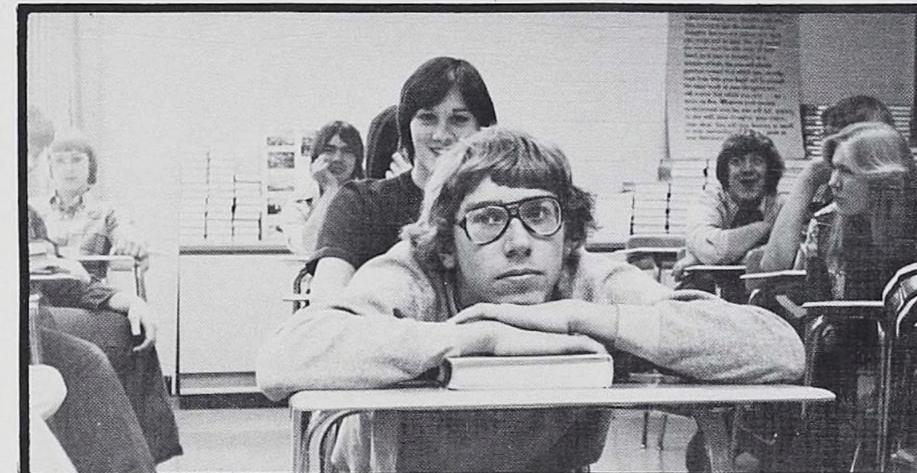
Welcome To My Nightmare?



John Millers' smiling self-portrait.



Captain Electric, A Gong Show leftover.



"All the neat things I could be doing, and I'm here."



Sue, Lynn, Karin and Sue clown around.

Nineteen Hundred Seventy- Seven Awards And Accomplishments

D.A.R. Award - Jenny Kane
Betty Crocker Homemaker Award - Connie Heck
Boys' State Delegates - Dave Fecher, Roger Simon, Dave Schreiber
Girls' State Delegates - Jenny Kane, Heidi Pfeiffer, Karin Klute
DeKalb Award - Sue Truyaert
American Legion Citizenship Award - Jenny Kane & Roger Simon
Football Homecoming Queen - Sue Carr
Basketball Homecoming Queen - Jenny Kane
Prom King and Queen - Roger Simon and Annette Vermillion

SENIOR BAND AWARDS

John Phillip Sousa Award - Dave Fecher
Mental Attitude Award - Robin Klute
Distinguished Musician Award - Heidi Pfeiffer
Senior Drum Major Award - Mike McQueeney
National Band Association/United States Youth Foundation Inc.
Distinguished Musicians Certificate Award - Vicki Wharton

SENIOR CHOIR AWARDS

Arion Award - Lenny Hall Mental Attitude Award - Karen Alm & John Miller

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

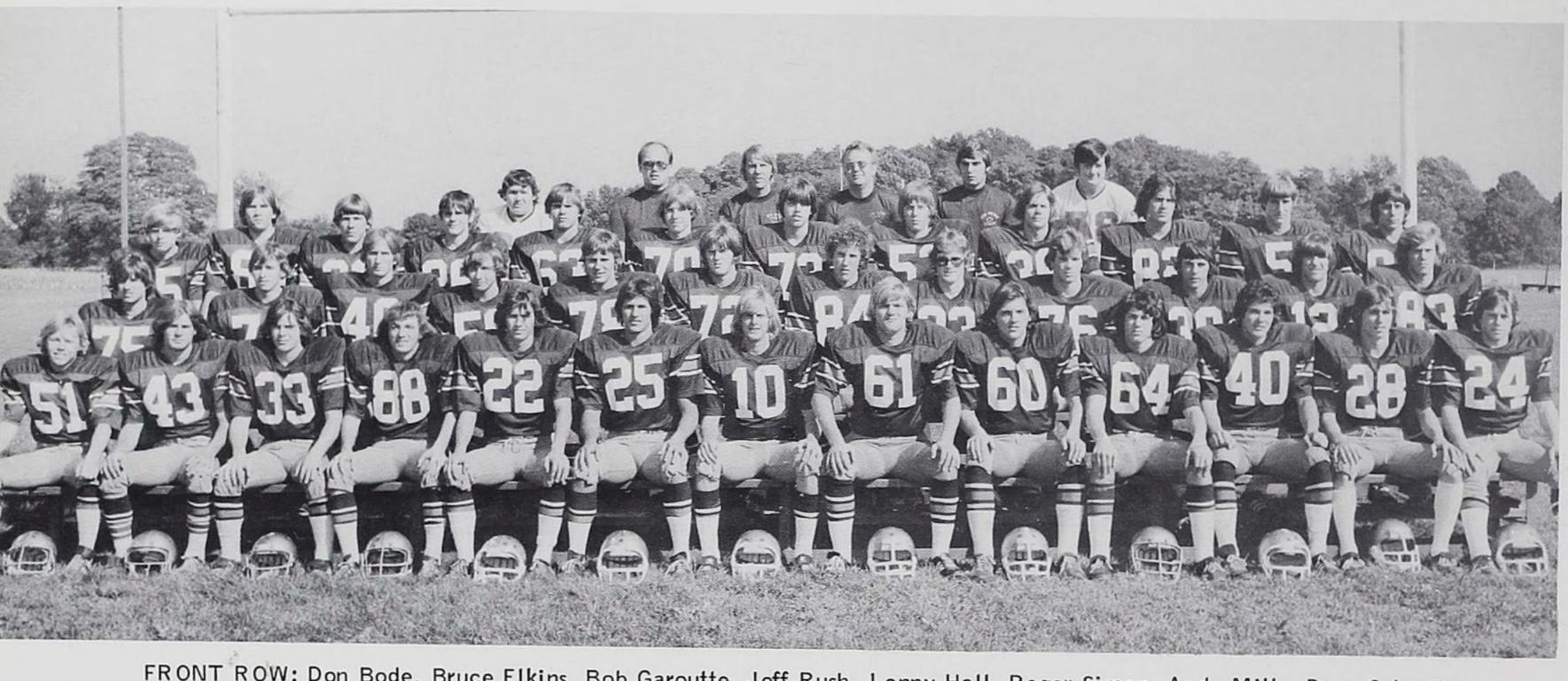
Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award - Heidi Pfeiffer
Science Award - Dave Fecher
Art Award - Yvonne Weir
Industrial Arts Award - Bret Sobecki
Math Awards - Dave Fecher & Heidi Pfeiffer
Business Award - Theresa Jankowski
OEA Outstanding Service Award - Leanne Schmitt
Home Economics Award - Debra Wordinger
English Award - Steve Feikes
Spanish Award - Lori Corpe
Yearbook Awards - Editor: John Miller, Assistant Editor: Karin Klute,
Business Manager: Cheryl Pietsch
Accounting Award - John Hutts
Shorthand Award - Lori Corpe

SCHOLARSHIPS

Girls' Service Club - Debra Wordinger
Hudson Lake P.T.O. - Chris Miller
Rolling Prairie P.T.O. - Yvonne Weir
Delta Theta Tau - Karin Klute
American Legion Auxillary - Kris Kratz
Elks Scholarship - Jenny Kane & Robin Klute
Goshen College Freshmen Scholarship - Regina Harvey
Indiana State Academic Scholarship - Jenny Kane
Indiana State Music Scholarship - Vicki Wharton
North Central College Honorary Scholarship - Debra Wordinger
Indiana State Academic Scholarship - Brenda Truex
Ben Franklin Honor Scholarship - Bill Farrington
Presidential Scholarship Valparaiso University - Heidi Pfeiffer
La Porte Hospital Auxiliary - Lori Cady



ATHLETICS



FRONT ROW: Don Bode, Bruce Elkins, Bob Garoutte, Jeff Rush, Lenny Hall, Roger Simon, Andy Mills, Dave Schreiber, Tim Stacy, Brett Sobecki, Calvin Kulasa, Alan Markley, Bruce Cox. SECOND ROW: Todd Hartman, Randy Candler, Brian Sauers, Peter Lestinsky, Rich Shail, Tim Lewis, Mark Kenyon, Tom Clark, Dave Swank, Mike Garoutte, Rick Albertson, Jeff Beck. THIRD ROW: Mitch Kane, Marty Morrow, Doug Williamson, Don Livinghouse, Gary Zwierzynski, Dale Voltz, Len Noens, Jeff Parry, Andy Grimm, Ron Barnes, Craig Jones, Ty Layman. FOURTH ROW: Manager, Lester Newton; Coach, Mike Jennings; Coach, Floyd Trosper; Coach, Larry Strick; Coach, Tim Moffitt; Manager, Steve Wade.

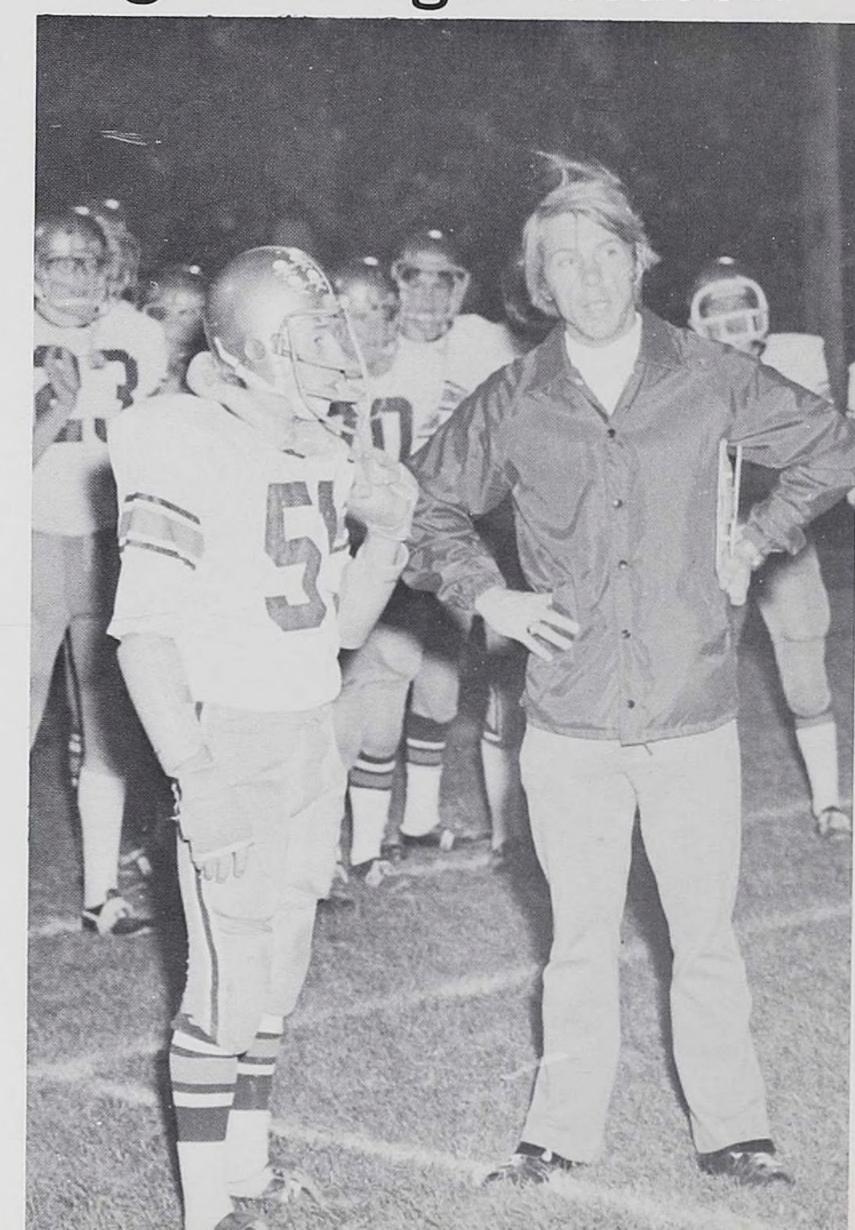
Injuries Plague Cougar Season

Being plagued with injuries does not make for a winning season but the Cougars performed well as they were led into battle by co-captains, Roger Simon, Bob Garoutte, and Don Bode.

The highlight of the year was the double overtime against Jimtown. The game was well planned by both teams and it was unfortunate that New Prairie came out on the short end of a 11-8 score. Thirteen Seniors made their last appearance in the last game of the season against Fairfield. The Cougars came out victoriously with a 21-6 score to end the season with a 4-1 Conference score and a 5-5 season record.

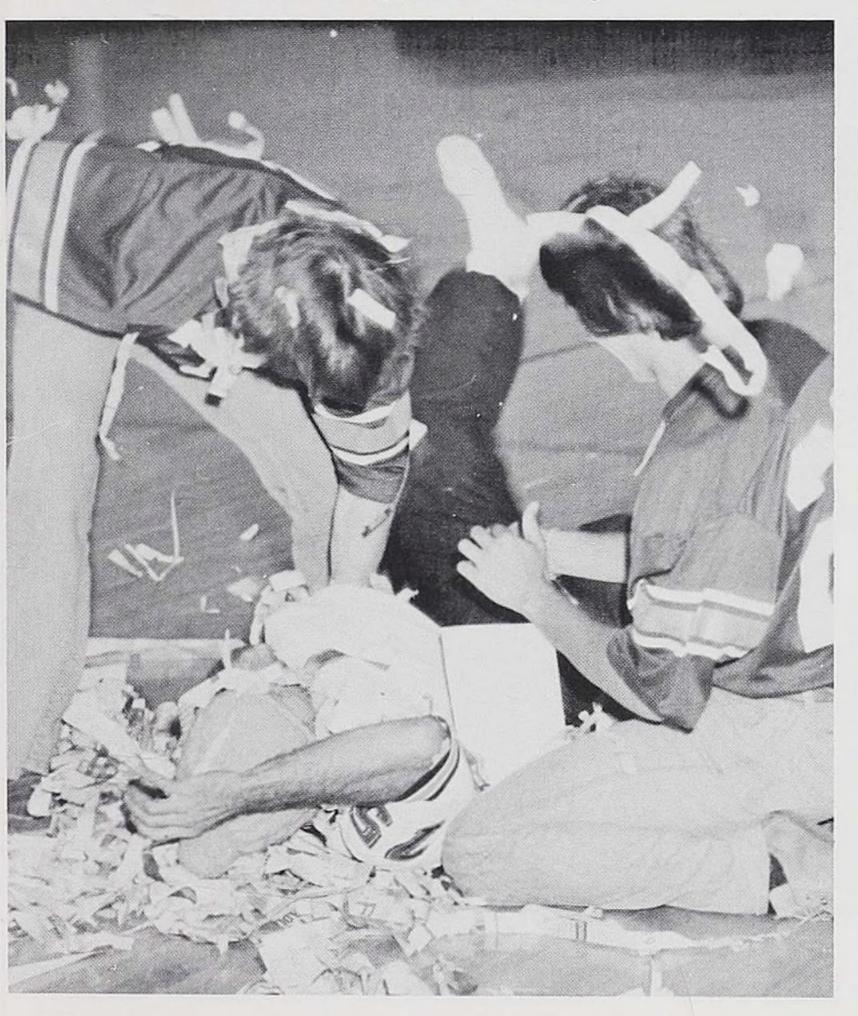
Roger Simon received Honorable Mention of The All-State Football Team. All-Conference sections were Don Bode, Peter Lestinsky, and Roger Simon. Most Valuable Lineman was Peter Lestinsky and Most Valuable Back was Bob Garoutte. Mike Garoutte was the Most Improved Back, and Cal Kulasa was The Most Improved Lineman.

Don Bode receives last minute instructions from Coach Trosper.





Trying to outsmart the opponent isn't easy.

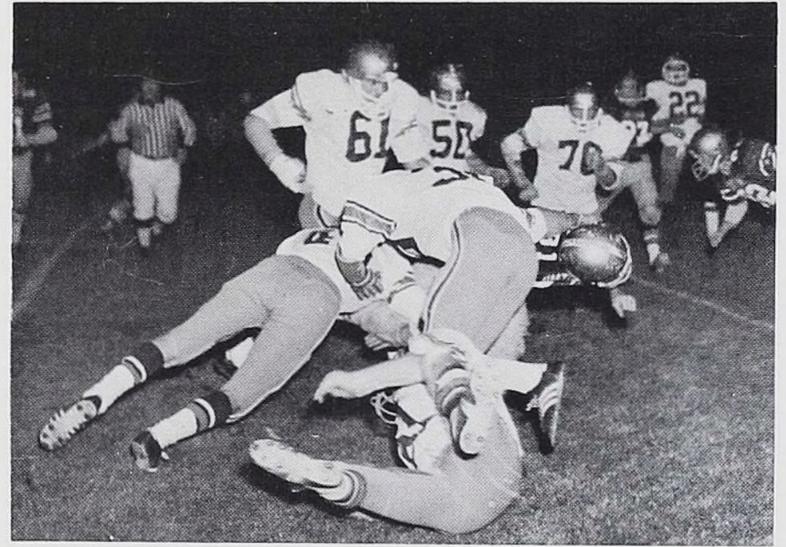


A skit during a pep session heightened team spirit.



Win this one for the Gipper.

Teams	N.P.	Opponent
Concord	12	6
Rochester	0	16
S.B. Clay	6	34
Wawasee	7	20
Northwood	14	26
LaVille	28	12
John Glenn	25	14
Jimtown	8	11
North Liberty	19	14
Fairfield	21	6

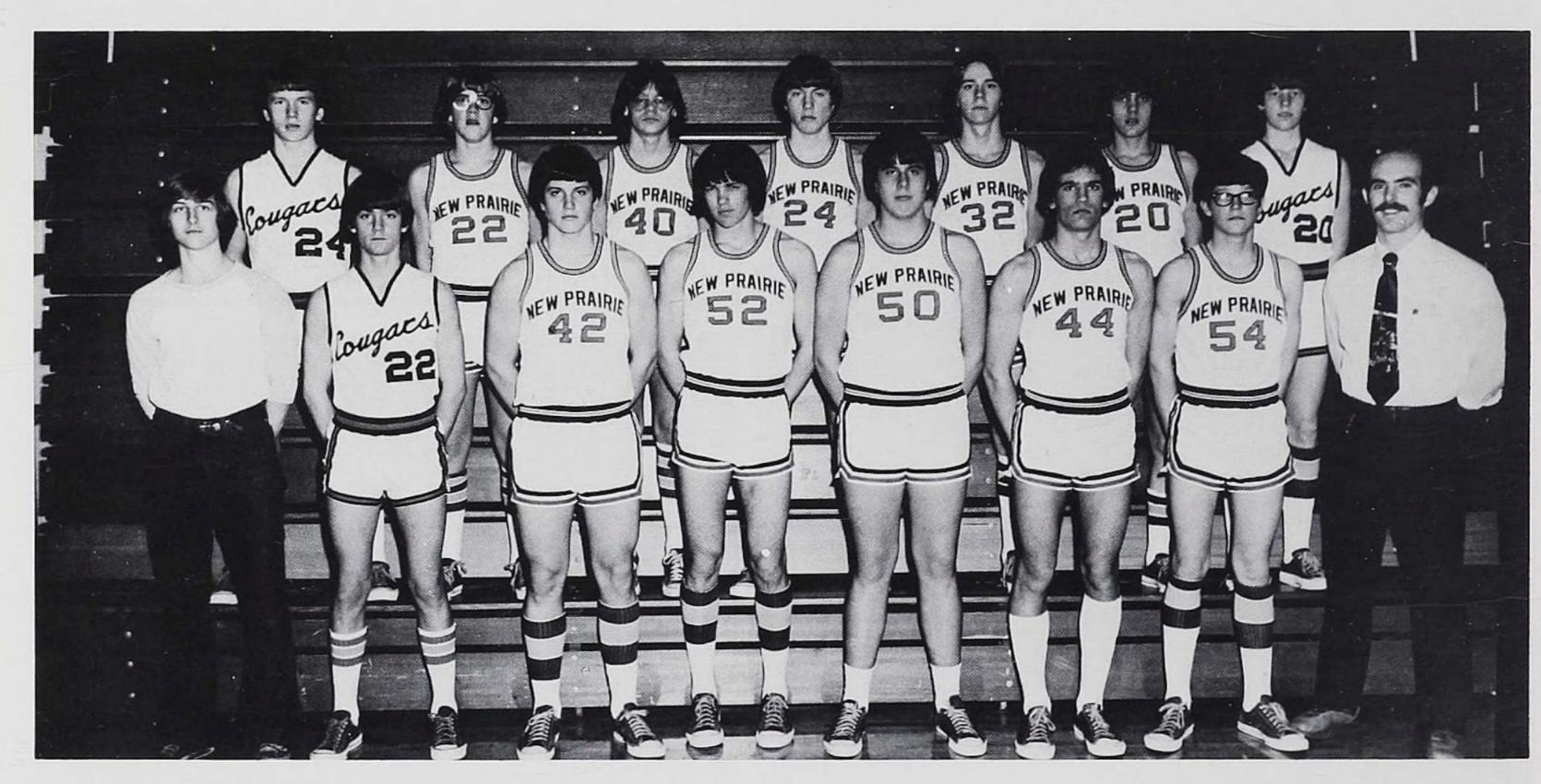


CRUNCH!!!!!!

B-Team/Freshmen Are Future Varsity



B-Team FRONT ROW: Jim Garoutte, Steve Nagy, Jeff Parry, Len Noens, Jon Milliken, Dave Maxwell. SECOND ROW: Coach Keith Kauffman, Doug Williamson, Ron Barnes, Paul Stepanek, Joe Szynal, Greg Jones, Greg Tarnow.



Freshmen Team FRONT ROW: Manager; Bill Blackston, Greg Gilpin, Bill Seering, Jack Keldsen, Doug Samuelson, Dean Kenyon, John Mrozinski, Coach; Mr. Dan Shead, SECOND ROW: Jim Klute, Randy Curless, Rodney Smith, Dave Maxwell, Randy Smith, Jim Garoutte, Gene Eggert.



FRONT ROW: Randy Candler, Jeff Parry, Dave Salisbury, Doug Williamson, Rick Albertson, Dave Gorny, Tim Lewis, Dale Voltz, Marty Morrow, Craig Jones, Mark Kenyon.

SECOND ROW: Ed Resetar, Greg Hall, Dave Arndt, Scott Ness, Neil Lauver, Ty Layman, Bill Seering, Jim Deutscher,

Dean Kenyon, Bill Balckston, Gene Pietsch, Kevin Brooks.

THIRD ROW: Wayne Zwierzynski, Todd Hartman, Don Livinghouse, Lenard Noens, John Boone, Chris Kent, Scott Cholbowski, Ed Kopkowski, Rob Shail, Gene Gadacz, Tom Lynch, Dave Maxwell.

FOURTH ROW: Coach Mike Jennings, Randy Curless, Dave Kirkham, Doug Samuelson, Jack Keldsen, Mitch Kane, Dave Loree, Larry Pietrowski, Tim Keller, MGR. Les Newton, Coach Larry Strick.

B-Team Perfects Offensive/Defensive Plays



A mid-air catch is always exciting.



Who's got the ball?



Managers call a time-out during pictures.

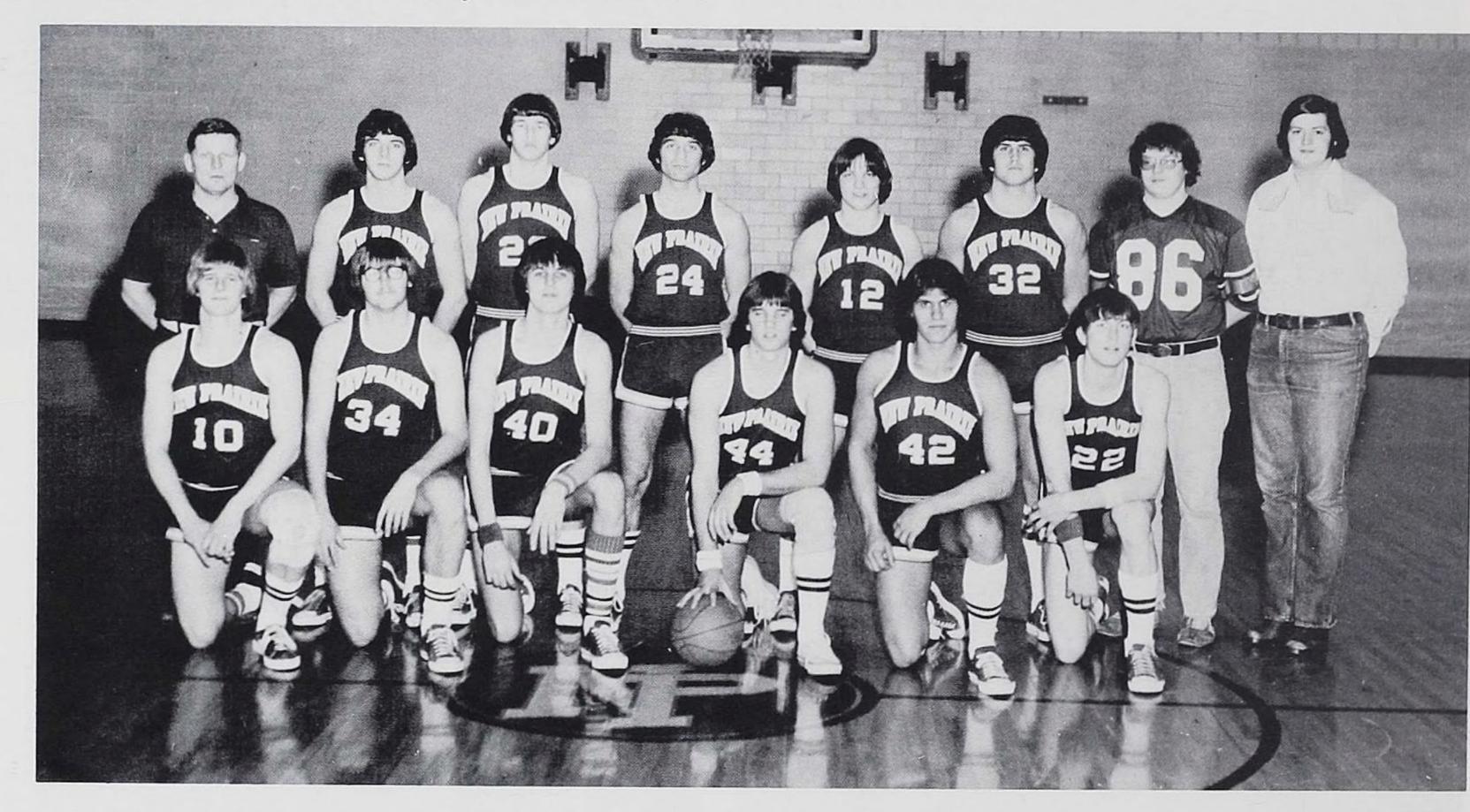
Cougar Season Ends 13-9

Last year was a year of building, and from a record of 2-18 to a record of 13-9 the building was successful. The Cougars fielded a more experienced team this year with the return of five lettermen. The lack of height was a disadvantage but the outlook for next year is good as most of the varsity will be returning.

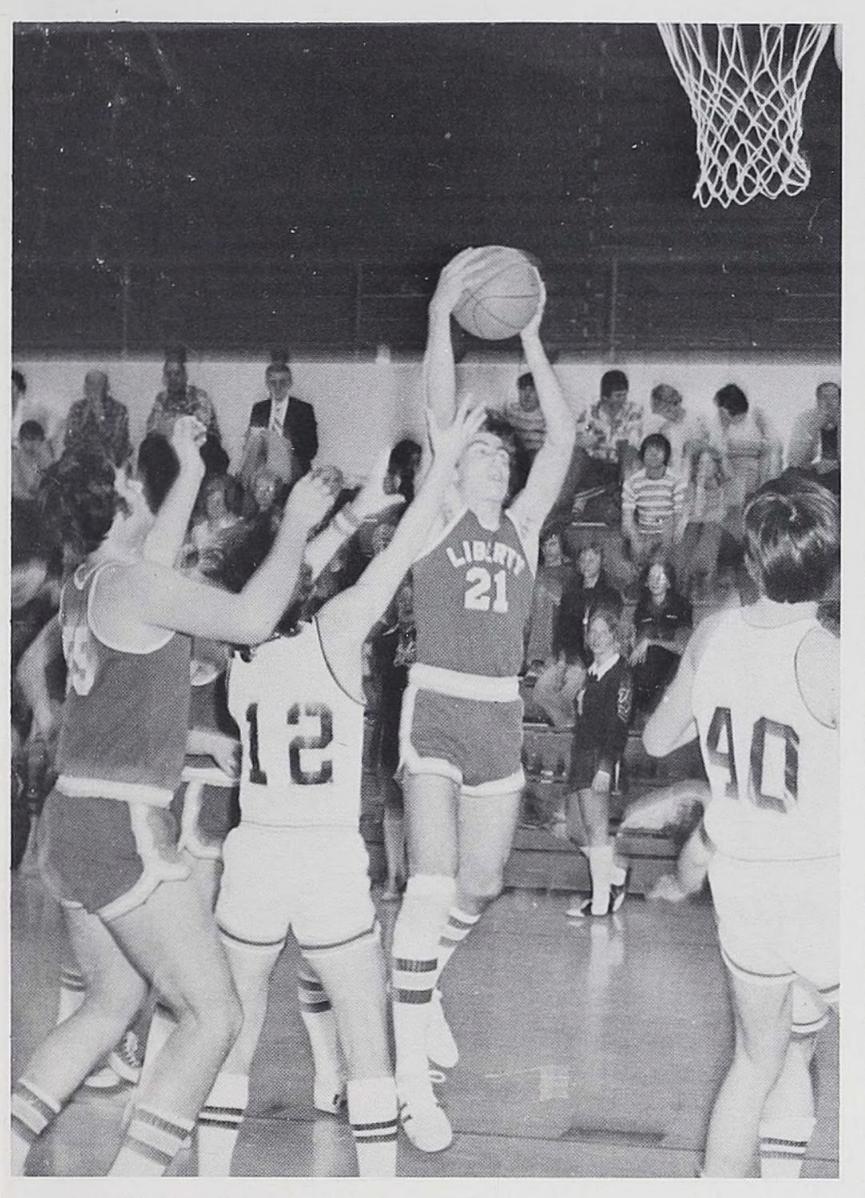
Honors for individual effort were received by several members of the team. Dennis Rzepka, the team's leading scorer, was selected as Most Valuable Player as well as being selected All Bi-County, All Conference, All-Sectional, and All-Area Team Member. Andy Mills was selected for the Bi-County Team and Conference Team while Jon Shaefer was a member of the All Bi-County Team. The Sportsmanship Award was won by Gary Stevens and The Defense Award was won by Rick Albertson.



Another two points for the home team.



FRONT ROW: Andy Mills, Gary Stevens, Greg Samuelson, Bill Farrington, Roger Simon, John Rehlander. SECOND ROW: Coach; Dave Washburn, Mike Garoutte, John Schaefer, Dennis Rzepka, Rick Albertson, Bob Smith-Manager, Chris Countryman, Manager; Steve Wade.

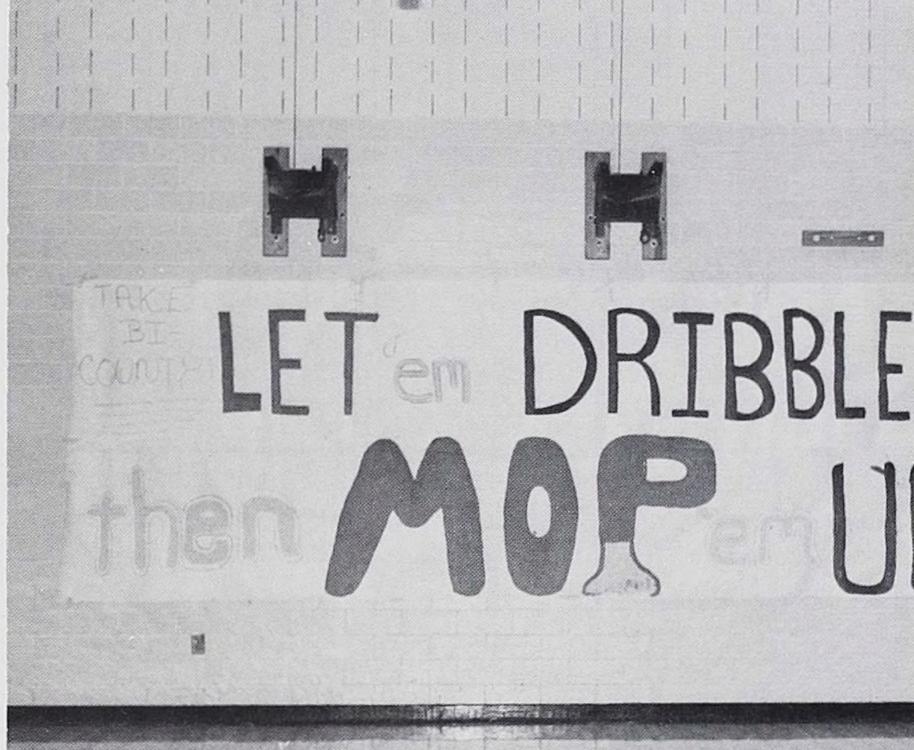


Caught flat-footed again?



1976-1977 Basketball Schedule

Teams	N.P.	Opponent
M.C. Rogers	86	69
LaPorte	73	81
Fairfield	75	80
John Glenn	70	76
North Liberty	69	66
South Central	70	61
Mishawaka Marian	71	69
North Judson	67	48
Marquette	69	68
Knox	74	70
Argos	71	68
Bremen	69	67
John Glenn	71	79
Mishawaka	54	84
S.B. Clay	72	82
Bremen	75	66
Jimtown	55	53
River Valley	67	45
Concord	59	73
LaVille	59	63
Chesterton (Sectional)	66	95



Cougar Spirit rides high!

"This is the best part of the Homecoming game."

Building floats was one of the highlights of football homecoming as each class labored throughout the week to create a float for competition. Homecoming night was brisk and chilly but many fans turned out clad in winter coats, scarves, hats, mittens, and homecoming mums to view the winning float and the crowning of the queen. Though the Cougars loss a heartbreaker, the Seniors came out victorious in the float competition with their theme "Jam the Jimmies."

Sue Carr was crowned Homecoming Queen. Her court was composed of Chris J. Miller, Jayne Schroeder, Carla Nickerson,

Ellen Clark, and Janice Gadacz.

Susan Carr Jenny Kane Homecoming Queens

Basketball homecoming was highlighted by ''Spirit Week'' during which students dressed according to ''T-Shirt Day,''
''Sports Day,'' 'Occupation Day,''
''Clown/Hobo Day,'' and the always popular

"Clown/Hobo Day," and the always popular
"Blue and Gold Day." Presentations of the
queen candidates were followed by the voting
of the student body. A pep session was held
to increase the spirit and prizes were
awarded to the winners of "Spirit Week."

Homecoming enthusiasm drew to a close with the crowning of Jenny Kane as Homecoming Queen.

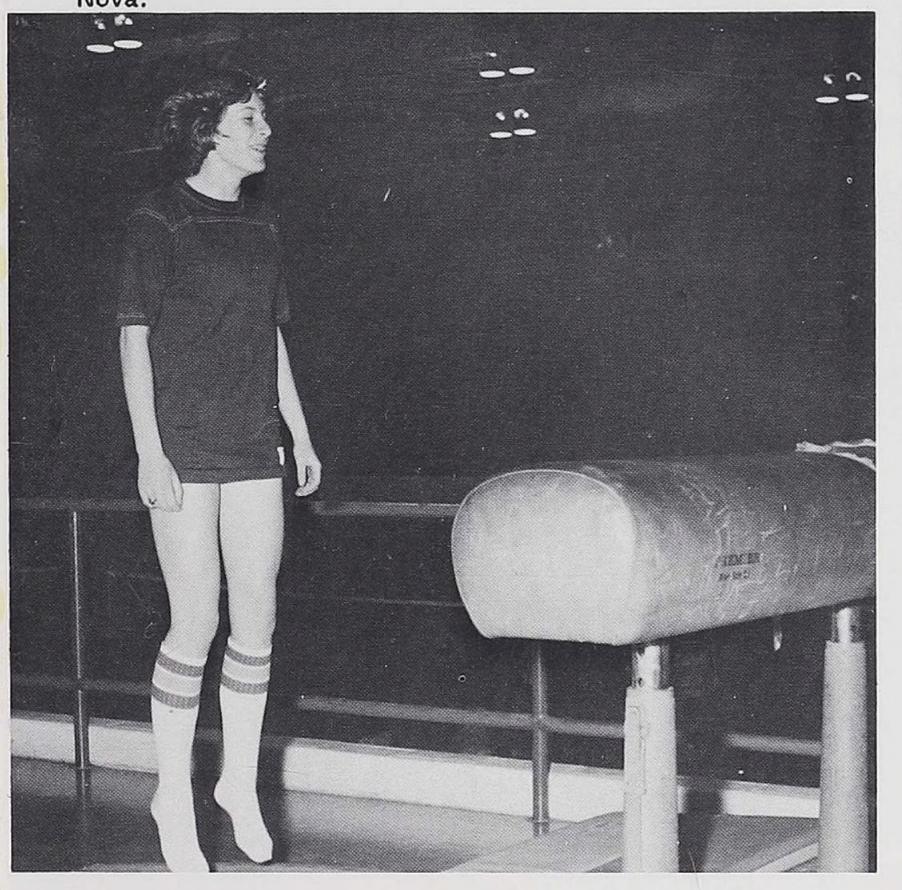




Gymnastics Comes New Prairie



FRONT ROW: Lori Corpe, Sally Wolfe, Sandy Zelasko, Debbie Bode, Angela Baldwin, Pam Barber, Kerry Leslie, Theresa Bolakowski. SECOND ROW: Debbie VandeZande, Tina Galloway, Sherri McQueen, Darlene Moore, Kym Degroote, Beth Flotow, Gayle Parrett, Barb Schroeder, Cindy Wesch, Assistant Beth Dawson, Coach Mrs. Kathy



Dawn tries to get on her horse.

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Team	N.P.	Opponent
South Central	54.15	64.6
John Glenn	45.50	54.45
Oregon Davis	46	57
South Central	66.2	64.9

Being the first year of a new varsity

sport, it was a thrilling experience for girls at New Prairie under Coach Kathy Novas.

Twenty girls formed the team of gymnists as they entered the first year of interscholastic competition. They finished the year with a record of 1-3.

Girls Basketball Team Looks To Future



FIRST ROW: Tami Lenig, Francine Gadacz, Deb Singleton, Shelley Farrington, Shelley Stickler, Jenny Kane, Val Harber, Chris Cortier Coach.

SECOND ROW: Denice Moore, Lori Hastings, Kelly Dennis LeeAnn Spaeth, Jill Hampshire, Liz Hauge, Vicky Stickler. THIRD ROW: Kris Kratz-Manager, Gail Woolsey, Cindy Keck, Becky Brown, Becky Warrington-Manager, Dick Bradshaw-Coach.

	1976-1977	Girls Ba	asketball	
	Teams	N.P.	Opponent	
	Rogers	14	65	
	Culver	32	47	
1	Knox	43	34	
	Fairfield	32	44	
	Elk. Mem.	24	58	
	John Glenn	15	42	
	N. Liberty	26	21	
	LaVille	39	53	
	S. Central	27	35	
	John Glenn	24	61	
	St. Joe	28	31	
	M.C. Rogers	30	42	

Building for next year and determined to improve on their 2-10 record was the girls' basketball team. Individual improvements were found during the course of the season, namely by Becky Brown and Cindy Keck, named as the most improved players for the year.

Jenny Kane and Shelly Stickers were elected co-captains with Debbie Singleton receiving the most valuable player award.



A coach's work is never done.

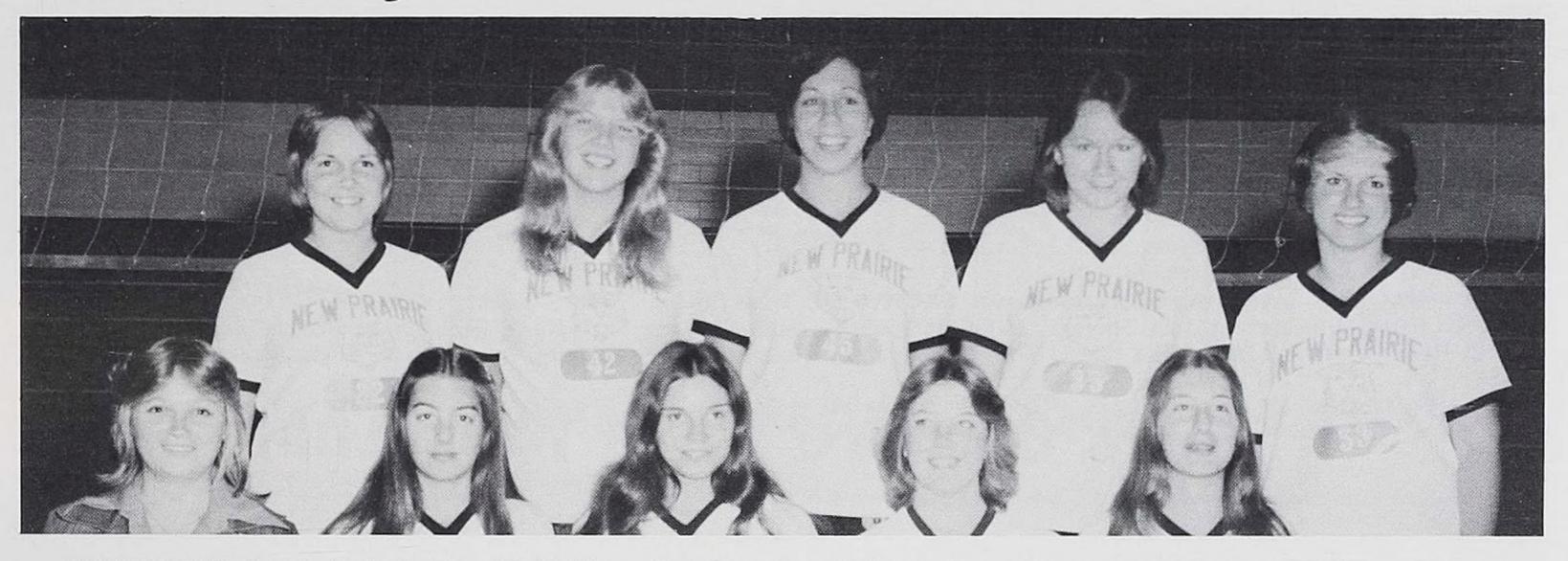
1976-1977 Gir	ls Volleyball Schedule
Teams	Score of sets (NP-OPP)
Westville Culver S. Central John Glenn Rogers N. Liberty	14-16, 15-13, 15-10 15-11, 12-15, 15-2 15-5, 15-1 15-12, 9-15, 15-5 15-5, 15-11 15-6, 10-15, 15-5
LaPorte Concord Northwood LaVille	15-5, 11-15, 18-16 15-11, 10-12, 15-9 10-15, 16-14, 15-4 15-3, 15-6
Marquette Fairfield Jimtown	16-14, 15-13 15-2, 16-14 15-8, 15-11
Marquette LaPorte Munster Portage Hammond Gavit	15-7, 10-15, 15-11 15-9, 15-13 16-14, 15-2 13-15, 15-10, 13-7 6-15, 9-11

Four consecutive Northern State Conference championshps—this was the record of the New Prairie Girls' Volleyball team. An outstanding record of 17–1 for the year; and the only loss came at the hands of Hammond Gavit in the regional championship.

Captain of the spikers was Shai Kincaid. Yvonne Weir was elected the most valuable player. Most improved was Sue Carr and Chris Sherburn was selected as a member of the All-

Regional team.

Girls Volleyball Team Ends Season 17-1



FRONT ROW: Coach Chris Cortier, Molli Kizer, Sue Carr, Sue Milliken, Peggi Kizer. SECOND ROW: Karen Ice, Shai Kincaid, Chris Sherbun, Yvonne Weir, Shelley Stickler.



FRONT ROW: LaDonna Kulasa, Leslie Milliken, Renee Simmermeyer, Lesa Romig, Jan Gadacz, Coach Chris Cortier. SECOND ROW: Angela Baldwin, Liz Hauge, Vicky Stickler, Kelly Dennis, Vicki Kizer, Jill Hampshire.



FRONT ROW: John Gabryszak, Scott Goodson, Ed Kopkowski, Todd Rogers, Todd Sobecki, Sam Bush. SECOND ROW: Jim Moffitt, Lee Thomas, Mike McQueeney, Mike Meyers, Chris Kent, Rich Kelso, Coach Jennings. THIRD ROW: Chris Rybicki, Mike Waak, Tom Lynch, Kent Bicknese, Barry Wagner, Doug Fraser, Craig Swanson, Jim Bruck.

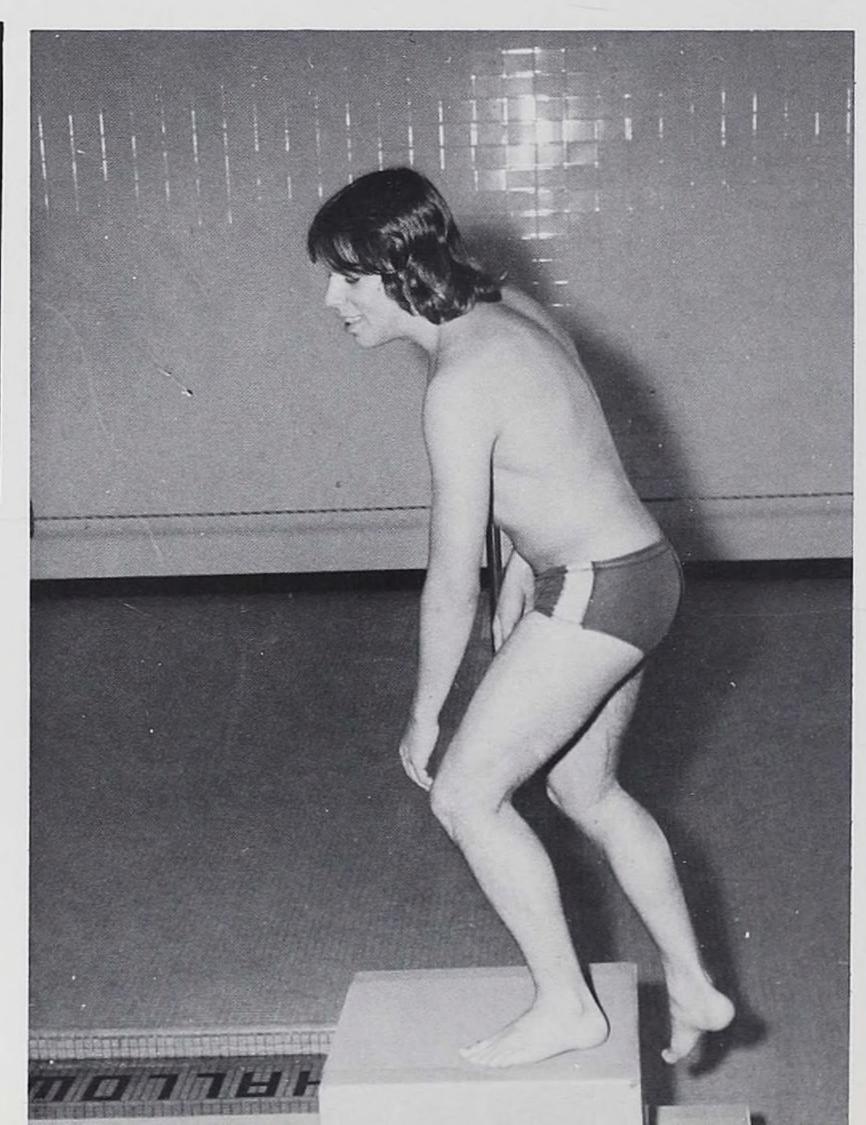
Boys Capture More Wins Than Ever

	1976-1977 Boy	's Swimmi	ng Schedule	
	Teams	N.P.	Opponent	
	Marian	71	99	
	Wawasee	75	96	
	Knox	125	43	
	Mishawaka	75	96	
- 7	North Judson	120	51	
	Clay	39	133	
	Howe	103	71	
	M.C. Elston	77	97	
	M.C. Rogers	60	110	
	Knox	108	60	
	North Judson	120	51	

More wins than ever--as an improving boys' swim team finished the year bouncing back from a 0-10 record to a 5-6 record.

Co-captains were Doug Fraser and Jim Moffitt. Most valuable swimmer was Doug Fraser with Craig Swanson capturing the most improved swimmer award.

"I hope the water isn't T00 cold."





Records were broken by the girls' swim team as they swam their way to a 4-7 season. School records were broken in the 50-, 100-, and 200-, and 500-yard freestyle; 200-yard Individual medley; 100-yard fly; and the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Most improved swimmer was Gail Tarnow with the most improved as Jenny Kane. Jenny Kane was co-captain with Joyce Schreiber.

Teams	Opponent	N.P.
S.B. Washington	105	64
S.B. Clay	131	41
Marquette	54	111
M.C. Rogers	83	88
Elkhart Memorial	107	65
Knox	53	113
Culver	113	59
Mish. Marian	89	82
Wawasee	114	57
Mishawaka	102	70
Knox	49	120

Ready, Get set, Go!!!

Girls Swim Team Smashes School Records



SEATED: Kim Chapman, Jodi Gumm, Debbie Bode, Nora Harris, Lyn Degrotte, Karen Clady, Beth Flotow, Kerry Leslie, Denice Moore.

KNEELING: Jeannine Washluske, Sally Wolfe, Gina Spaeth, Vicki Freestone, Linda Wickizer.
STANDING: Deb Rauschenback, Susan John, Wendy Simon, Diane Kopkowski, Lee Ann Spaeth, Peggy Strong, Joyce Schreiber-Co captain, Paula Lynch, Gail Tarnow, Jenny Kane-Co-Captain, Brenda Truex, Karen Alm, Coach-Kathy Nova.

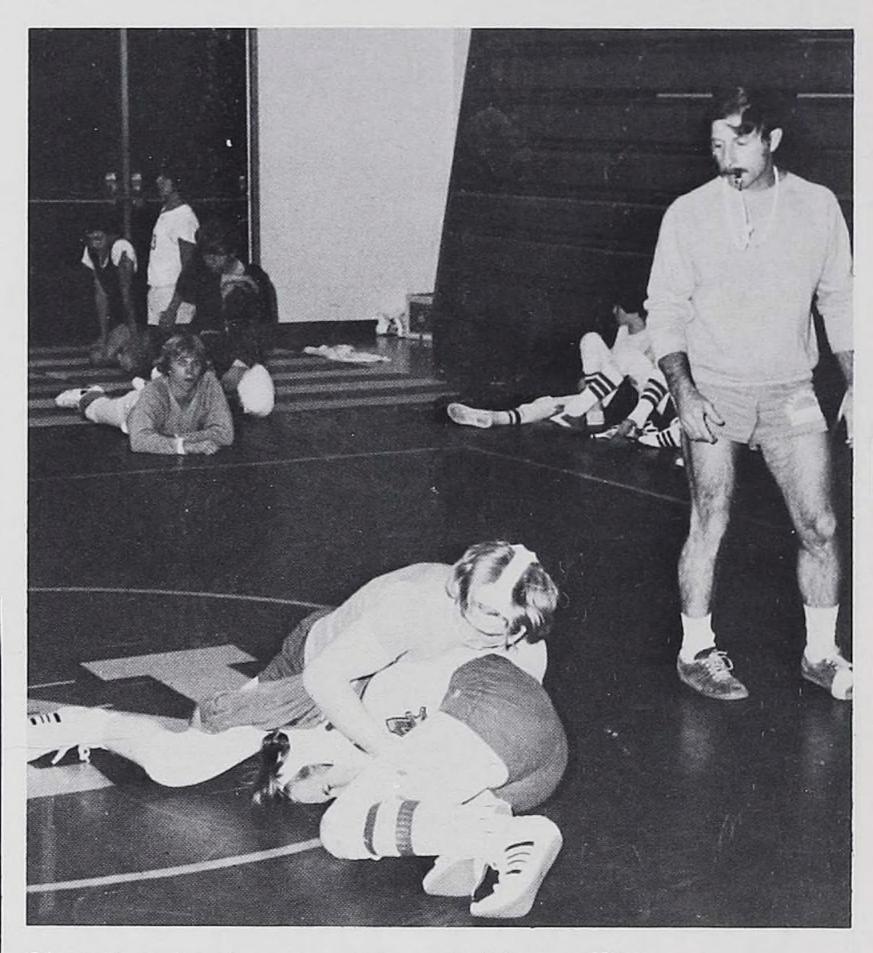
Garoutte Goes To Semi-State

Desire and team spirit were displayed by the three returning matmen as incentive for the numerous freshmen entering high school competition for the first time. The wrestling team entered the year full of expectations and ended the season with a 4-3 record.

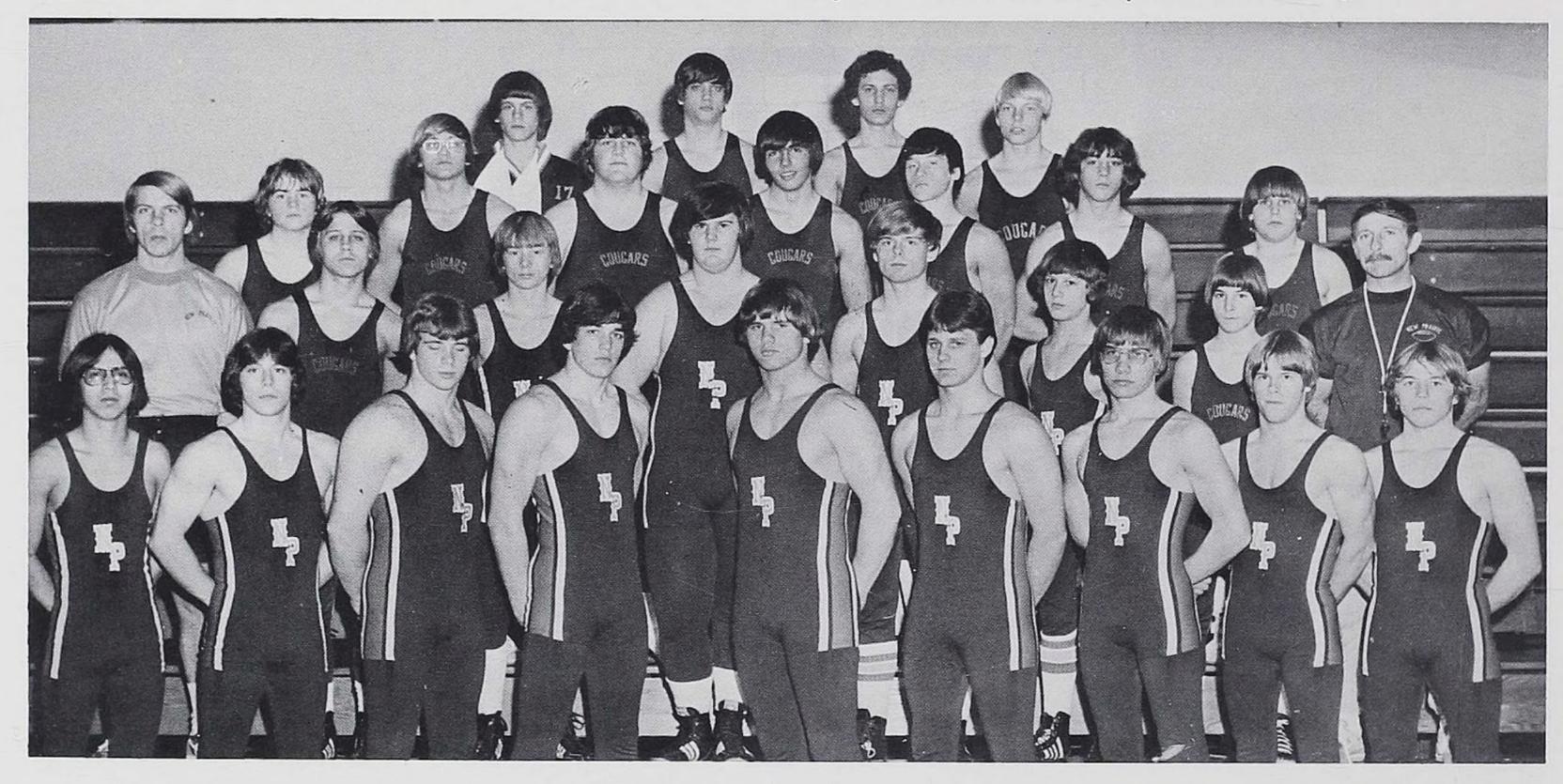
Bob Garoutte and Mitch Kane advanced past the sectional and through the regional. Bob completed his career with a heart-breaking loss in the semi-state. 6-5.

in the semi-state, 6-5.
Co-captains of the matmen were Bob
Garoutte, Don Bode and Bret Sobecki.

1976-1977 V	Vrestling Sche	dule
	Opponent	N.P.
La Porte	30	18
Elston	43	23
Concord	12	52
LaVille	45	15
Fairfield	14	45
North Liberty	41	20
John Glenn	22	38



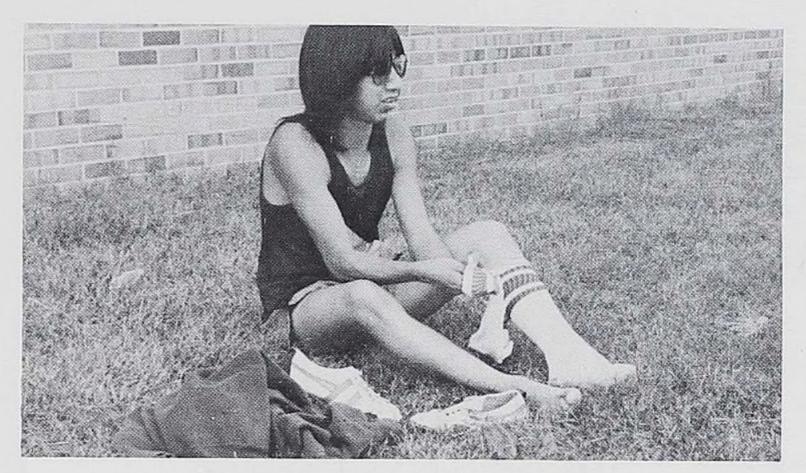
Strength and endurance are important in wrestling.



FRONT ROW: Raul Sanchez, Bob Garoutte, Dave Swank, Bret Sobecki, Gary Zwierzynski, Rich Shail, Rob Fisher, Steve Jones, Don Bode. SECOND ROW: Coach Floyd Trosper, Rob Shail, Eric Wolfe, John Boone, Mitch Kane, Ed Resetar, Mark Sult, Coach Don Kane. THIRD ROW: Dale Bode, Joe Ekovich, Scott Ness, Lance Dudeck, Rob Zigler, Dave Loree, Wayne Zwierzynski. FOURTH ROW: Dale Beck, Tim Keller, Greg Bomdor, Gene Gadacz.



Hosting 54 teams coverging on "Agony Hill" for the ninth year in the cross country invitational made this the largest sporting event in high school sports. The Courgars paced by Doug Fraser, places seventh out of fifteen in their heat. Most improved harrier was Rob Zigler; Captain and most valuable runner was Doug Fraser.



"HEY! Wait for me."

"I must have the wrong uniform!"

N.P. Hosts Cross-Country Invitational



FRONT ROW: Steve Jones, Rob Zigler, Eric Wolfe, Doug Fraser, Raul Sanchez, SECOND ROW: Coach Blaine Gamble, Jim Klute, Mike Briskey, Ernie Geist, Kennis Davis, Joel Harber, Jim Garoutte, Cyril Oake, Jim Heath, Jeff Thompson.

Girl's Track Another Champion Team



FRONT ROW: Wendy Hansen, Sally Wolfe, Jenny Kane, Mary Adnson, Sandy Zelasko, Jan Gadacz, Dawn Garoutte, Francisco Gadacz, Zinnia Artist. SECOND ROW: Coach Chris Cortier, Gail Woolsey, Sue Carr, Nancy Johnson, Pam Gamble, Vicki Freestone, Pam Waldo, Joni Colglazier, Yvonne Weir, Vicki Kizer, Vicky Stickler.

1976-1977 Gi	rl's Track Sch	edule
Teams	N.P.	Opponent
Knox	64 1/2	40 1/2
LaVille	81	24
Mish. Marian	78	13
So. Central	78	43
North Liberty	82	22
Elk. Memorial	58	31
Oregon Davis	58	45
Culver	50 1/2	53 1/2
Jimtown	79 1/2	25 1/2
M.C. Rogers	80	25
St. Joe	69	36
John Glenn	78	27
LaPorte	59	46
Fairfield	68	37

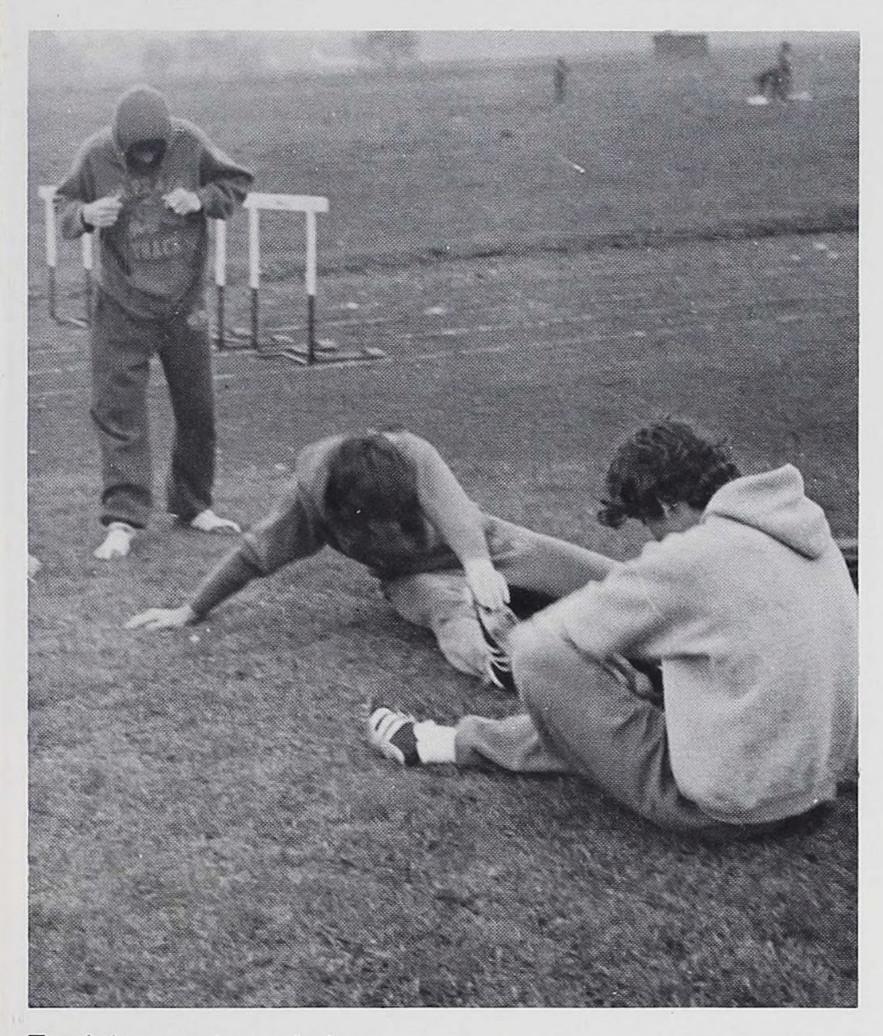
Ending the season with a victory and a 12-2 record will enable the Girl's Track Team to return with the same enthusiasm generated during the current season. Wins in the 100-and 200-yard dashes by Nancy Johnson and a new school record by Vicki Kizer in the 80-yard low hurdles enabled the team to win the final meet. Five members qualified for the Regional.

Most valuable player was Dawn Garoutte. Sue Carr was Captain while Pam Waldo was selected as the Most Improved Trackster.



The keepers of the field?

Tracksters Win First NSC



Tracksters need muscle	tone.
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1977 BOYS 7	RACK SCH	HEDULE
Teams	N.P.	Opponent
River Valley	76	49
Berrien Springs	76	42
South Central	77	50
M.C. Marquette	76	51
LaVille	63	64
M.C. Rogers	40	87
North Liberty	92	40
Culver	80	47
Jimtown	83	44
St. Joseph	59	68
John Glenn	96	34
Fairfield	61	66

Outstanding performances at the Northern State Conference meet shattering three records gave New Prairie the first NSC Track championship and the first NSC championship for Coach Blaine Gamble as New Prairie defeated all comers with a point total of 118 over favored Fairfield's 110 1/2.

Another first this year was Dave Swank, NP's discus thrower, as he became the first NP trackman to compete in the State Track meet.



FRONT ROW: Scott Chapman, Andy Mills, Bob Garoutte, Raul Sanchez, Jeff Rush, Bruce Elkins. SECOND ROW: Tom Clark, Mike Garoutte, Dennis Rzepka, Doug Fraser, Dave Swank. THIRD ROW: Jeff Thompson, Gene Gadacz, Kent Bicknese, Rob Zigler, Gary Zwierzynski, Don Sudlow, Kreig Keigley, Eric Wolfe, Jim Heath, Coach Dave Washburn. FOURTH ROW: Coach Blaine Gamble, Dave Kirkham, Don Loree, Mike Myers, Scott Ness, Andy Holman, Larry Pietrowski, Mitch Kane, Greg Thompson, Bob Hastings (manager).

Netters End Season Undefeated



FRONT ROW: Coach; Keith Kauffman, Greg Tarnow, Sam Bush, Gene Eggert, Keith Manges, Kregg Keigley. SECOND ROW: Kevin Laureys, Allen Bartmess, Bill Farrington, Dennis Rzepka, Dave Fecher, Lee Thomas, Chris Rybicki.

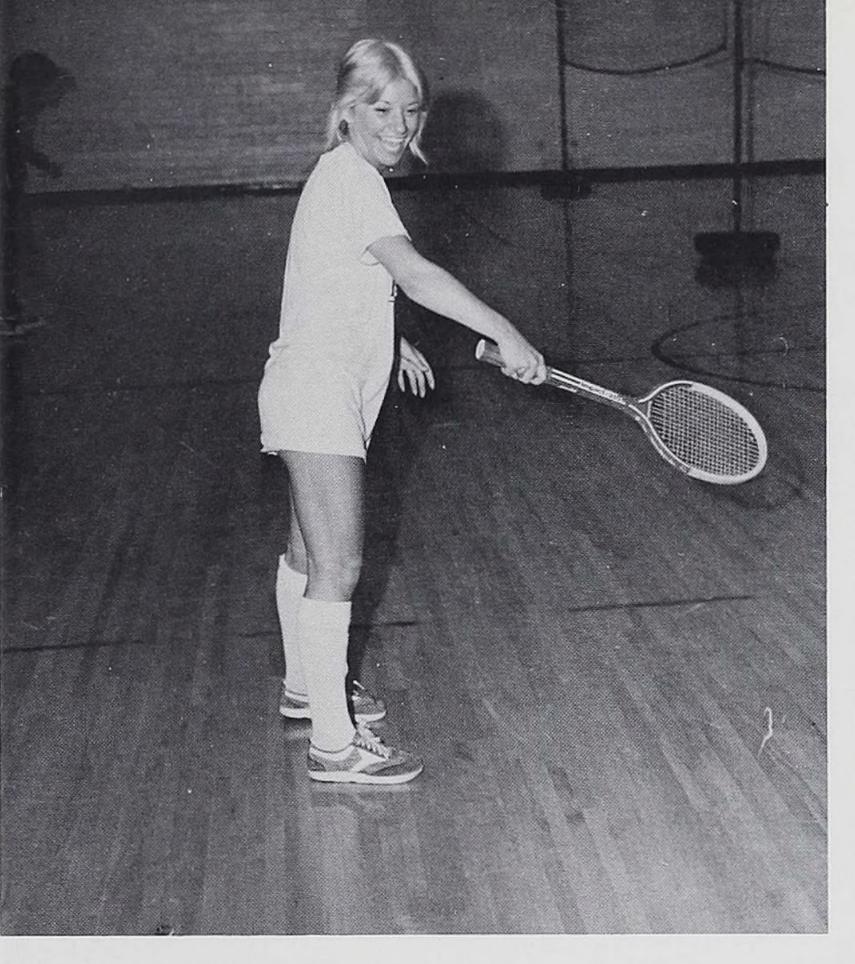
	Teams	N.P.	Opponent
	M.C. Marquette	4	1
	M.C. Rogers	3	2
	North Liberty	5	0
	LaSalle	5 3	2
	John Glenn	4	1
	Fairfield	3	1
	La Lumiere	3	2
	LaVille	4	1
	Jimtown	3	2
	John Glenn	4	1
4	Jimtown	3	2 3
	Penn	2	3
	St. Joe	5	0
	Culver	5	0
	John Glenn	3	2
	La Porte	0	2 5

An undefeated season during regular play provided many thrills for the spectators of the New Prairie boys' tennis team. The netters defeated favorites such as Michigan City Rogers to earn the deserved perfect season. Their only loss of a 13-1 record came during the sectional against LaPorte.

Al Bartmess was the most improved member of the team with Chris Rybicki and Dennis Rzepka sharing most valuable player honors. Captain of the netters was Chris Rybicki.



"I know my sun visor is here, SOMEPLACE!"



It was a long season for the Girls' tennis team. The netters had to wait until the last match of the season in order to come up with a victory by defeating LaVille 5-2. Though the season was long the efforts of the members proved that a better season is on its way. Team Captain was Lee Ann Spaeth, Jill Hampshire was voted Most Improved and Angela Baldwin was voted Most Valuable.

Teams	N.P.	Opponent
M.C. Marquette	0	7
LaPorte	0	7
S.B. Washington	0	7
Mishawawaka Marian	0	7
Concord	0	7
John Glenn	1	6
M.C. Rogers	0	7
M.C. Marquette	1	6
M.C. Elston	1	6
Elkhart Memorial	0	7
LaVille	5	2

Is she going to hit the ball, or swat flies?

Girls Tennis Team Wins Last Game



Varsity: FRONT ROW: Coach Kathy Nova, Darlene Moore, Denice Moore, Jodi Gumm. SECOND ROW: Lee Ann Spaeth, Kathy Eggert, Bonni Waldo, Peg Miller, Mgr. Chris Miller



B-Team: FRONT ROW: Kim Chapman, Carla Sauers, Shelley Farrington, Mary Lestinsky. SECOND ROW: Coach Kathy Nova, Assistant Chris Sherbun. Jill Hampshire, Sara Schoff, Lori Hastings.

Winning Season Carted By Girl Golfers



Coach; Virginia Volkman, Deb Singleton, MaryAnn Hensley, Deb Roesner, Betty Mills, Renee Weist, Sara Schoff, Sue Horvath.

1976-1977 G	irls Golf	Schedule
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P. Opponent
2 162
.9 227
7 224
9 197
9 219
.3 228
.3 227
7 238
7 201
4 228
7 222
7 222

Riding in golf carts was among the many escapades of the members of the girls' golf team. The members also displayed a relaxing attitude as they practiced. They would play one or two holes and then sit and talk for an hour or so before playing the balance of the nine.

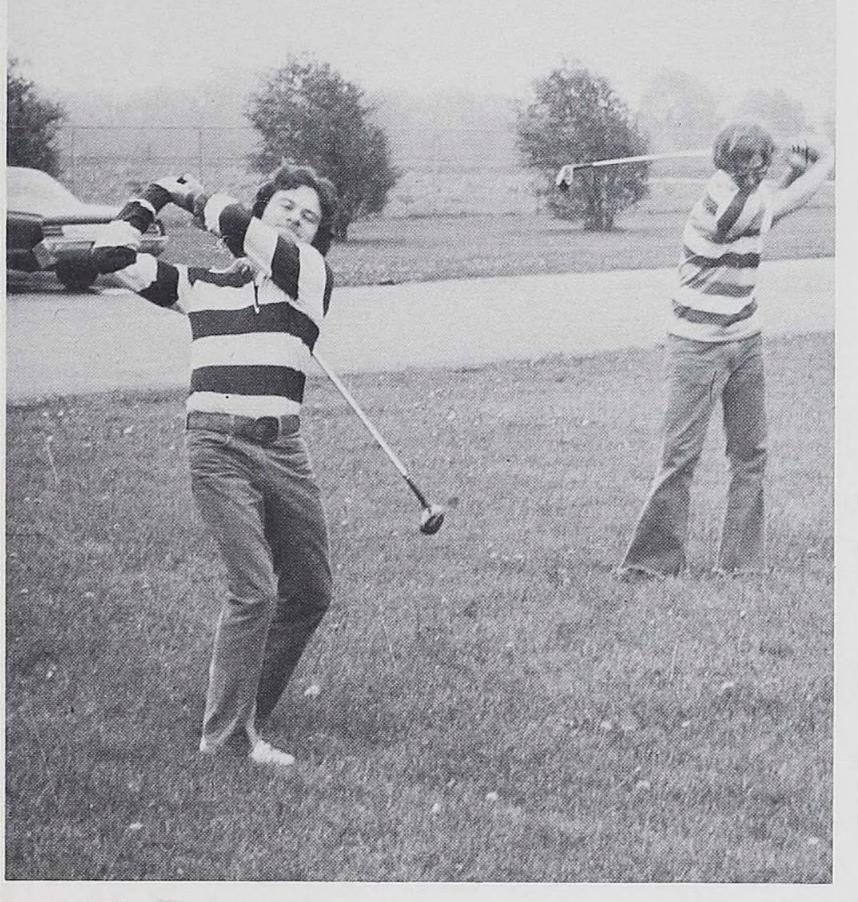
Wins over arch rival M.C. Marquette was one of the highlights of the season.

Betty Mills was voted Most Valuable Golfer

by the team. MaryAnn Hensley captured The Mental Attitude Award while Sara Schoff was Most Improved Player and Deb Singleton served as Captain.



Stockton Leads Golfer's Onward



Good Golfers make divots.

One of the outstanding golfers in Northern Indiana provided the New Prairie Golf Team with the skill needed to finish the season with a 13-4 record. The team finished second in the Northern State Conference play.

the Northern State Conference play.

Todd Stockton provided momentum for the team as he continually shot in the thirties earning him the honor of being medalist in the Conference for three consecutive years. Todd was the team's Most Valuable Player as well as the Captain, while Ted Allen was the team's Most Improved Player.

Teams	N.P.	Opponent
Concord	355	378
M.C. Marquette	184	170
North Judson	182	214
Oregon-Davis	182	209
S.B. Washington	169	172
South Central	188	211
John Glenn	174	177
South Central	174	208
La Lumiere	172	223
Pioneer	165	173
Knox	165	175
Fairfield	164	184
North Liberty	170	166
M.C. Rogers	336	305
La Ville	170	188
Jimtown	170	197
Mish. Marian	330	308



Jeff Halter, Doug Wollert, Todd Rogers, Chris Rybicki, Todd Sobecki, Brett Sobecki, Ted Allen, Todd Stockton, Kevin Laureys, Mike McQueeney, Dave Earlywine, Coach Rex Thomas, Lee Thomas, Barry Wagner, Dave Martin, Greg Rudnick.

Team Has Hustle

With many underclassmen on the varsity baseball team, the season was not expected to be outstanding. The team surprised the coaches and fans by ending the season with a 14-13 record.

Good hustle throughout the season contributed to much of the success of the team during the year.

Bruce Cox and Lenny Hall were captains during the season. Most Valuable Player was Rich Shail with Joe Szynal winning the Most Improved Player Award.



Concentration by players aid in their performance.



FRONT ROW: Lenny Hall, Doug Williamson, Joel Hostetler, Steve Jones, Bruce Cox, Greg Tarnow, Mike Zmirski, Joe Martinez, Joe Camalick.

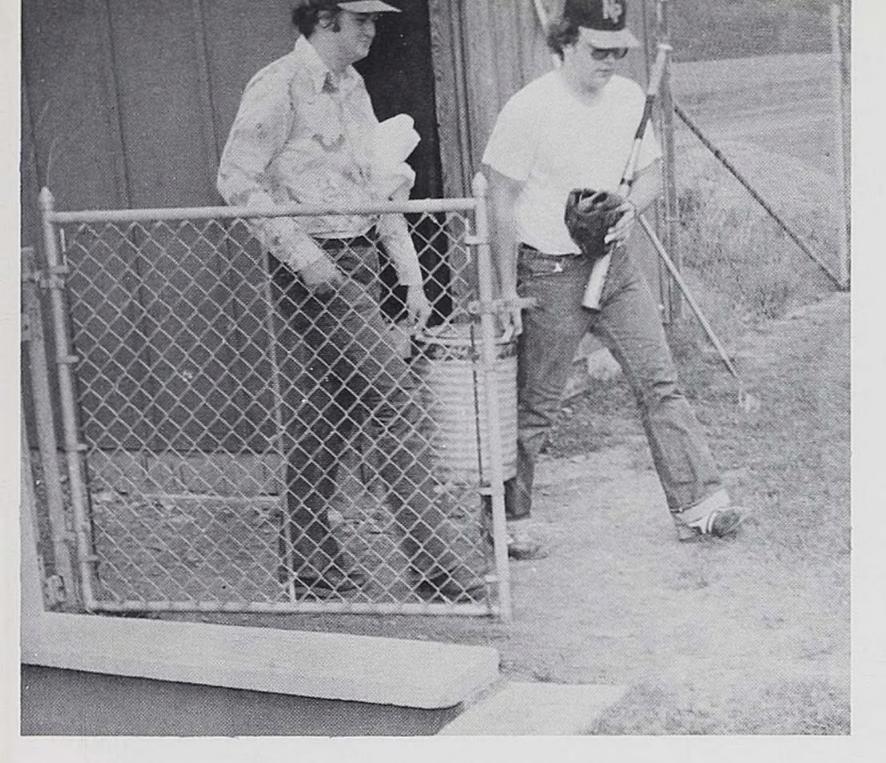
SECOND ROW: Steve Wade-Manager, John Milliken, Joe Szynal, Jeff Parry, Paul Stepanek, Gary Stevens, Allen Bartmess, Rick Shail, Paul Kampf, Craig Jones, Chris Countryman-Manager.



Getting equipment in order is just part of the game.



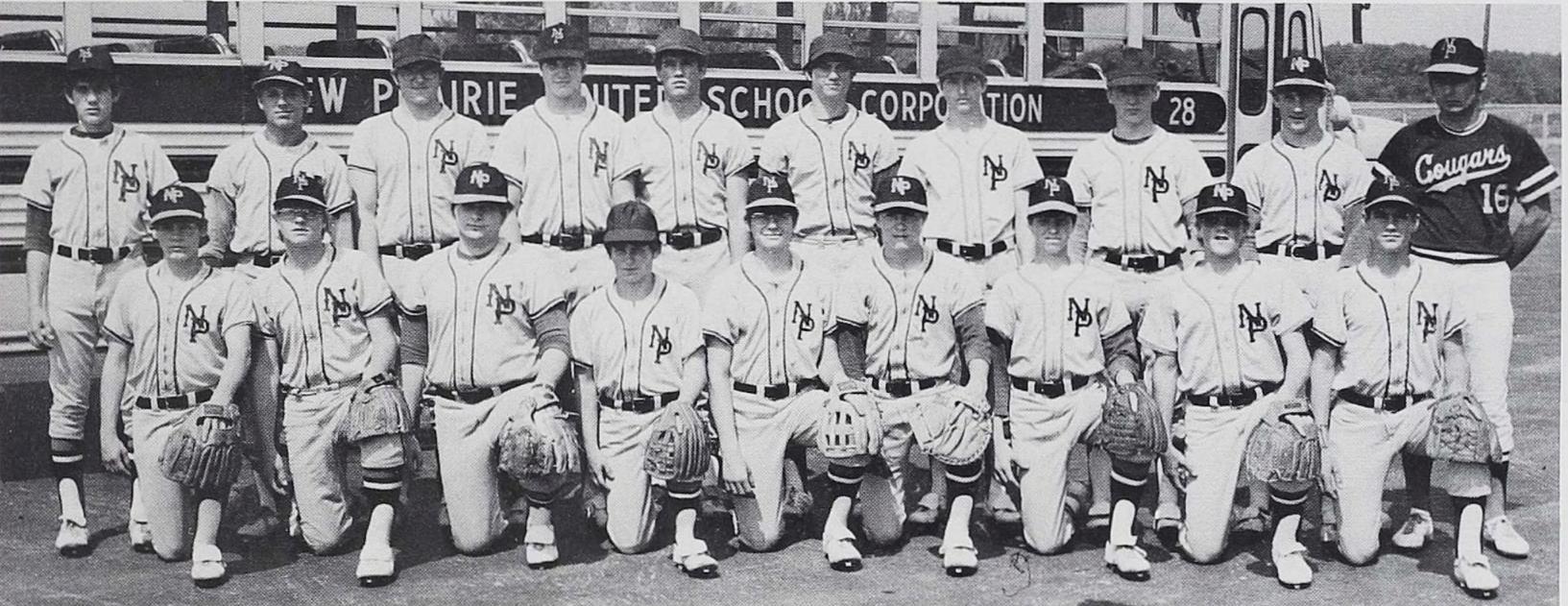
Stance, poise and determination are assets for a high batting average.



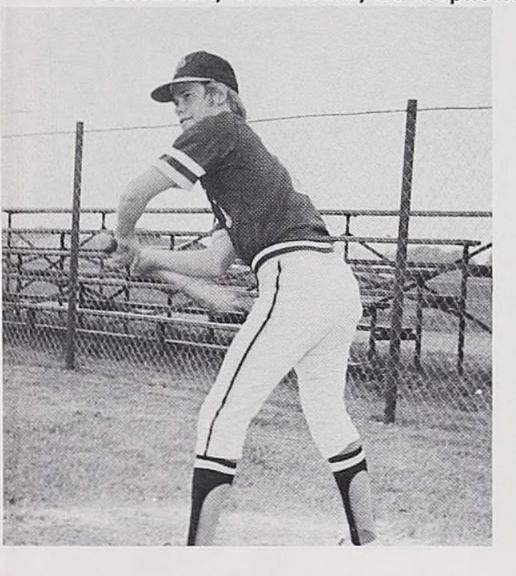
Playing baseball makes participants thirsty.

1976-1977 Baseball Schedule

Team	NP	Opponen
Laporte	0	10
Laporte	3	8
River Valley	11	Ö
M.C. Marquette	1	6
Culver	4	7
Oregon Davis	1	Ö
Westville	17	1
Westville	18	ī
M.C. Rogers	2	1 5
LaCrosse	4	1
LaCrosse	4 8 3	1 4 7
LaVille	3	7
Fairfield	11	1
South Central	9	ō
John Glenn	2	5
North Liberty	10	1
Lakeshore	1	2
Lakeshore		2 5
Jimtown	3 2 3	9
LaVille	3	7
Plymouth	0	10
Fairfield	7	0
Jimtown	4	2
John Glenn	4	2
M.C. Elston	8	5
M.C. Elston (Sectional)	6	7



FRONT ROW: Dale Beck, Glenn Todd, Steve Nagy, Dan Hostetler, Jim Deutscher, Dave Maxwell. Gene Eggert, Randy Curless, Greg Gilpin. SECOND ROW: Jim Garoutte, Rob Shail, Tom Zielinski, Bill Seering, Dean Kenyon, Tim Keller, Bill Blackston, Jim Klute, Ed Kopkowski, Coach Tim Moffitt.



"And in the batter's box . . . "

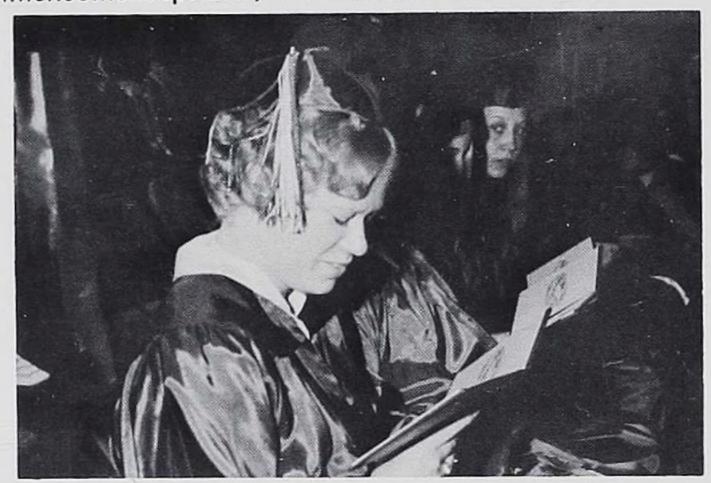




Commencement brings out the photo bugs.



New Superintendent Dr. Keith Powell with Billy Williams, commencement speaker, and Reverend Ernest Geist.



"IT'S SIGNED!"

. It's Over

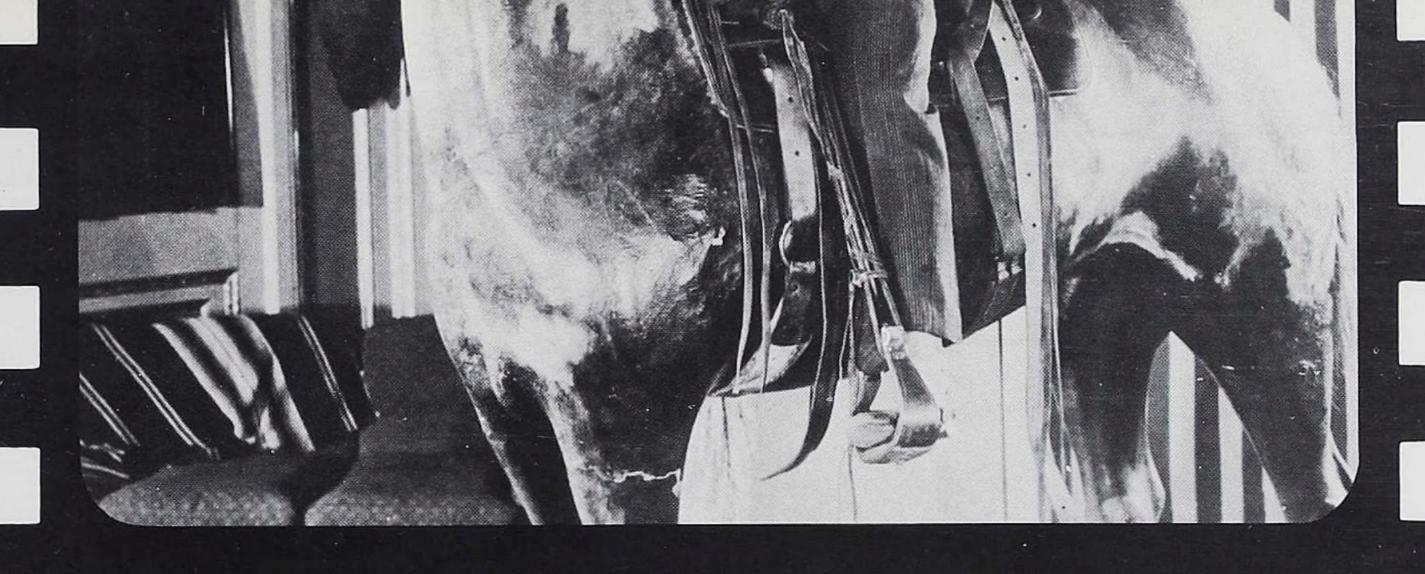
The party is over and its time to go to work. Our High School days have gone and its time to look ahead to the problems of tomorrow but still keeping in mind the memories of yesterday.

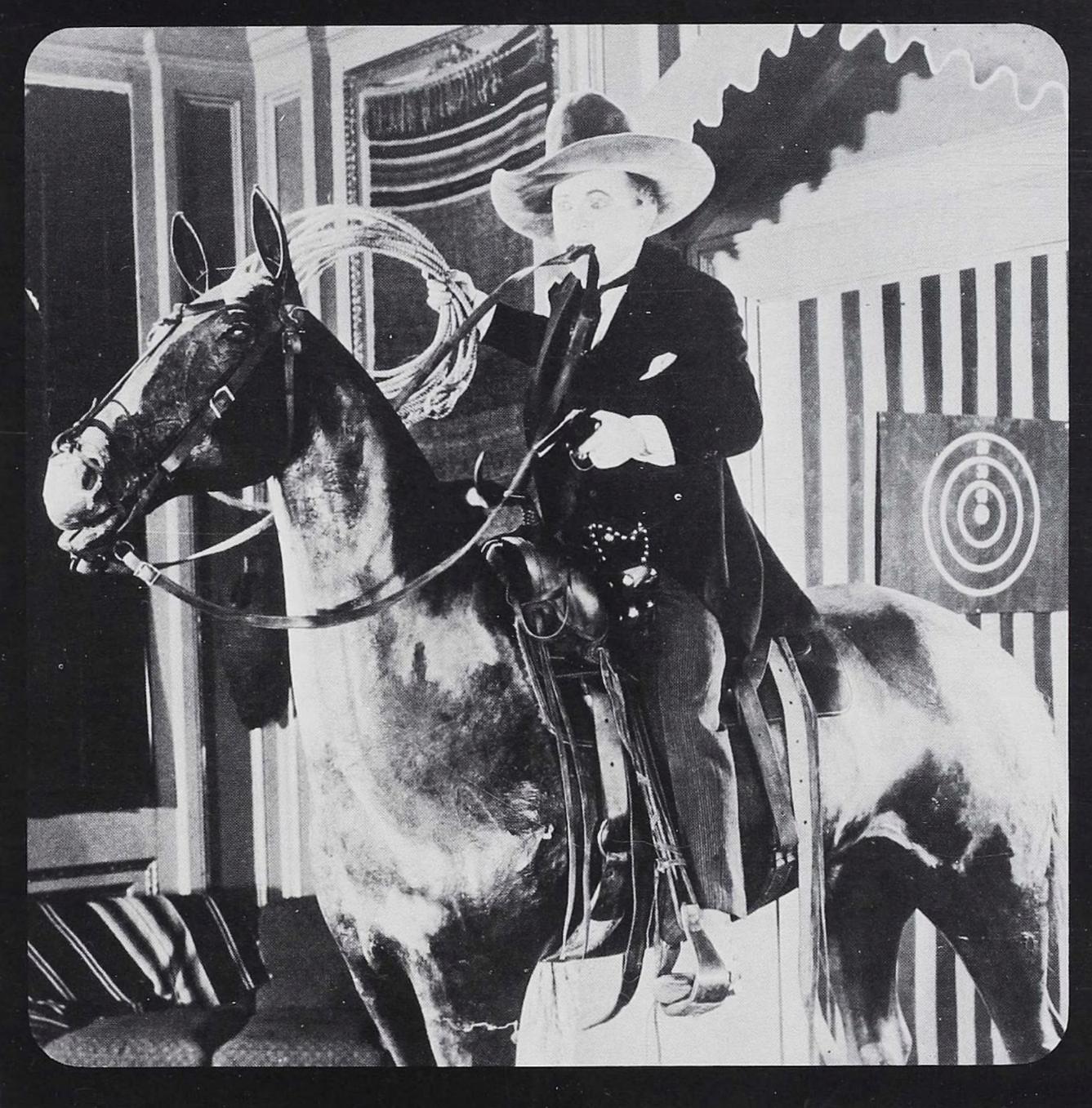


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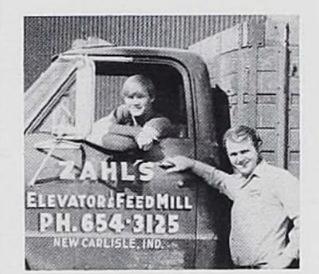
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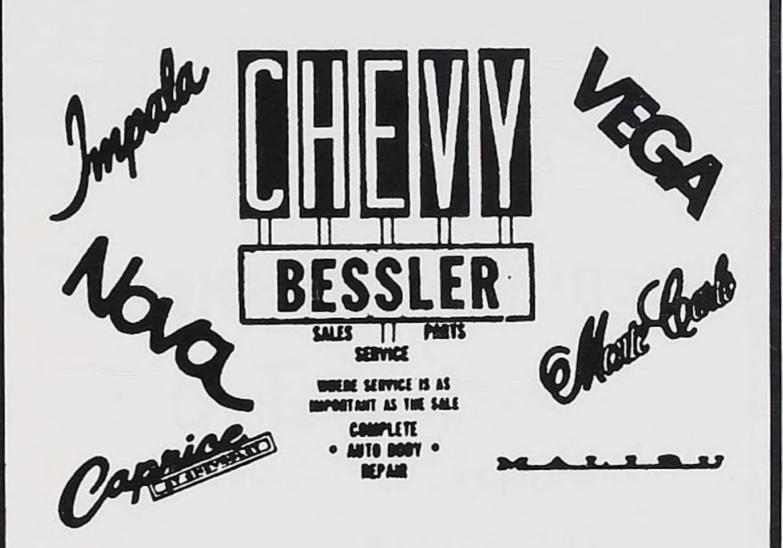
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